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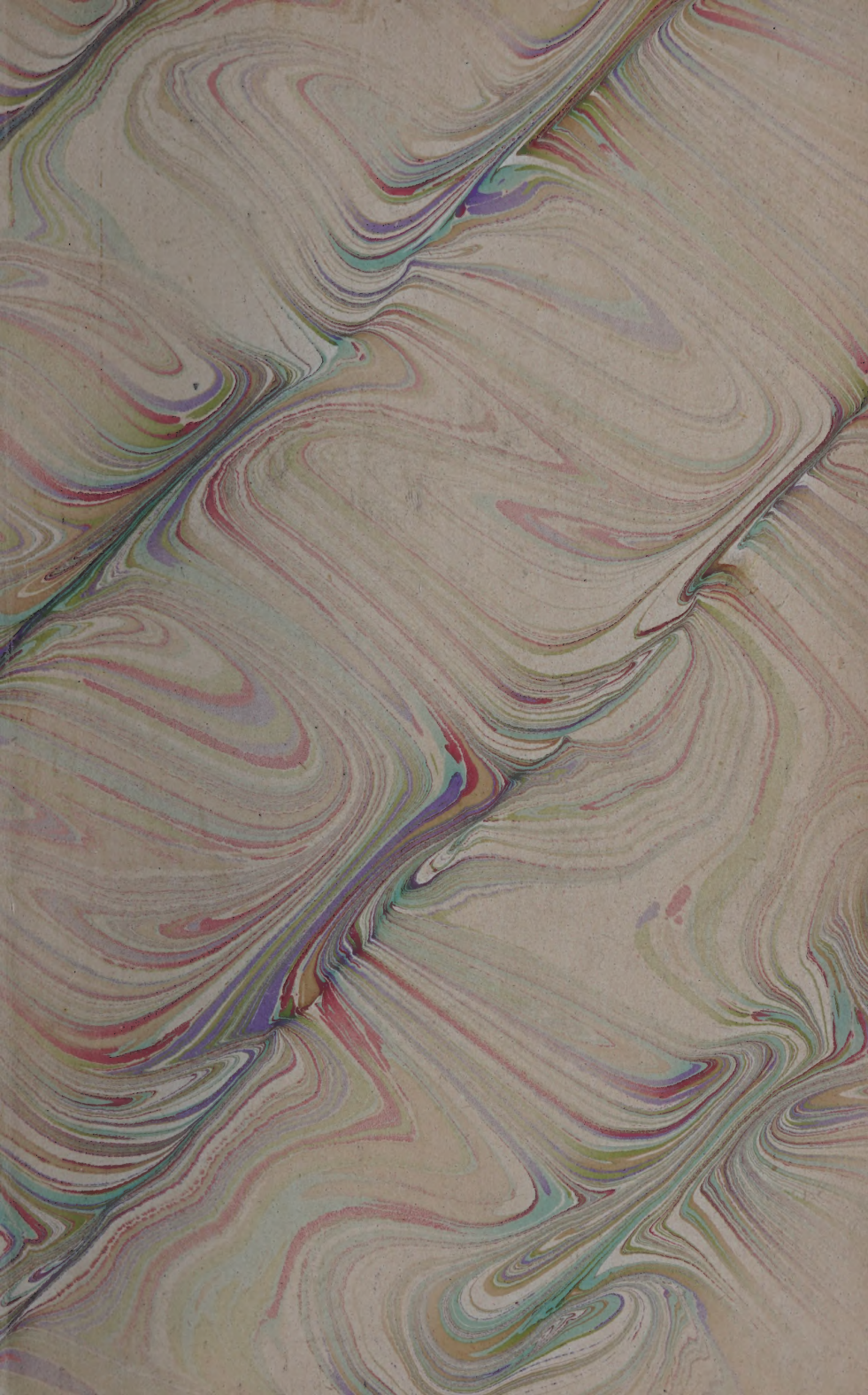
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# Twenty-second Annual Report

OF THE

## TOWN OFFICERS

OF THE

# TOWN OF HOPEDALE

FOR THE

Year Ending December 31, 1907.

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## LIST OF TOWN OFFICERS.

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*Selectmen, Overseers of Poor, Board of Health, and Fence Viewers.*

E. A. DARLING,

L. B. GASKILL,

S. E. KELLOGG.

*Town Clerk.*

WILLIAM H. JORDAN.

*Treasurer.*

E. D. BANCROFT.

*Tax Collector.*

E. S. STIMPSON.

*Auditor.*

A. A. MESSINGER.

*Assessors.*

H. W. BRACKEN, Term expires 1908.

W. S. HAGUE, Clerk, Term expires 1909.

WM. BANCROFT, Term expires 1910.

*School Committee.*

HARRIET B. SORNBORGER, Term expires 1908.

H. W. BRACKEN, Term expires 1909.

FRANK J. DUTCHER, Term expires 1910.

*Trustees of Public Library.*

ANNA M. BANCROFT, Term expires 1908.

E. L. OSGOOD, Term expires 1909.

F. H. FRENCH, Term expires 1910.

*Road Commissioners.*

G. A. DRAPER, Term expires 1908.

CLARE H. DRAPER, Term expires 1909.

CHARLES E. PIERCE, Term expires 1910.



*Park Commissioners.*

GEORGE OTIS DRAPER, Term expires 1908.

FRANK J. DUTCHER, Term expires 1909.

CHARLES F. ROPER, Term expires 1910.

*Constables.*

ROBERT ROSS,                      WALTER F. DURGIN,                      S. A. ANDREW,  
J. M. FRENCH,                      E. C. BARROWS.

*Field Drivers.*

SYLVESTER L. MADDEN,                      J. M. FRENCH,  
FRANK GASKILL.

*Tree Warden.*

JOSEPH B. BANCROFT.

*Surveyor of Lumber.*

C. E. NUTTING.

## OFFICERS APPOINTED BY SELECTMEN.

*Engineers of Fire Department.*

SAMUEL E. KELLOGG, Chief.

C. E. PIERCE, 1st Assistant.

J. B. CHAPIN, 2d Assistant.

F. B. SWEET, Clerk and Treasurer.

*Police Officers.*

S. E. KELLOGG,                      A. F. FAIRBANKS,                      S. A. STAPLES,  
CHARLES W. WHEELER, WARREN F. GASKILL, C. C. DOWNING,  
ALEX HOLLIS,                      THOMAS MATHEWS,                      R. H. GIRVIN,  
GEO. W. JENKINS,                      E. A. SHERMAN,                      H. B. LEONARD,  
SYLVESTER L. MADDEN, W. N. PRENTISS,                      W. L. BENNETT,  
F. A. SPAULDING,                      GEO. E. KENT,                      JOHN GALLOWAY,  
W. C. McDONALD.

*Forest Fire Wards.*

SYLVESTER L. MADDEN, A. A. WESTCOTT, E. A. HARDING,  
GEORGE R. KING,                      EDMUND BARROWS, J. B. CHAPIN,  
FRED B. SWEET,                      CHAS. E. PIERCE, WALTER F. DURGIN,  
S. E. KELLOGG,                      HALE WATSON, SAMUEL OLIVANT,  
FRANK GASKILL,                      TRALAVERO WILSON.



*Measurers of Wood and Bark.*

SYLVESTER L. MADDEN, WALTER F. DURGIN, A. A. WESTCOTT,  
 W. H. BARNEY, WILFRED GASKILL, F. A. CARD,  
 J. STUART COX.

*Public Weighers.*

A. A. WESTCOTT, M. L. POND, WILFRED GASKILL.

*Fire Police.*

ROBERT ROSS.

*Weighers of Coal.*

W. H. BARNEY, F. A. CARD.

*Inspector of Cattle.*

WILFRED GASKILL.

*Inspector of Meats and Provisions.*

WALDO PHIPPS.

*Sealer of Weights and Measures.*

CHARLES W. WHEELER.

*Town Counsel.*

WENDELL WILLIAMS.

*Burial Agent of Deceased Soldiers and Sailors.*

THOMAS H. BRADLEY.

*Agent Board of Health to Sign Burial Permits.*

WILLIAM H. JORDAN.

*Registrars of Voters.*

H. F. SEARLES, Term expires 1908.

S. A. STAPLES, Term expires 1909.

W. H. GRAYSON, Term expires 1910.

W. H. JORDAN, Clerk.

*Dog Officer.*

WALTER F. DURGIN.

APPOINTED BY SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

*Superintendent of Schools.*

HERBERT F. TAYLOR.

*Truant Officers.*

WARREN F. GASKILL,  
S. A. STAPLES,

C. C. DOWNING,  
H. F. TAYLOR.

APPOINTED BY PARK COMMISSIONERS.

*Superintendent of Parks.*

WALTER F. DURGIN.

APPOINTED BY PUBLIC LIBRARY TRUSTEES.

*Librarian.*

HARRIET B. SORNBORGER.



## TOWN CLERK'S REPORT.

### Town Records.

WARRANT FOR ANNUAL TOWN MEETING,  
MARCH 7, 1907.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

*Worcester, ss.*

To either constable of the Town of Hopedale, in said County,  
Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth aforesaid, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town, qualified by law to vote in elections and in town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall, on Monday, the fourth day of March next, punctually at 9 o'clock in the forenoon (the polls may be closed at one o'clock in the afternoon on said day of meeting) to act upon the following articles, namely:—

Article 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

Article 2. To choose all necessary town officers for the year ensuing. The following officers to be voted for: Town clerk, treasurer, collector, auditor, selectmen, one road commissioner for three years, overseers of poor, board of health, fence viewers, one assessor to serve three years, one member of the school committee to serve for three years, five constables, one trustee of public library to serve three years, one park commissioner to serve three years, one tree warden to serve for one year, and a surveyor of lumber for one year; also to bring in the ballots "Yes" or "No" in answer to the question: "Shall license be granted in this town for the sale of intoxicating liquors?"

Article 3. To hear and act upon the report of the selectmen, overseer of the poor, school committee, engineers of

the fire department, and any other officers and committees of said town.

Article 4. To raise such sum or sums of money as may be deemed necessary to defray town charges for the year ensuing, and appropriate the same.

Article 5. To see if the town will instruct the treasurer to borrow money in anticipation of taxes, the same to be paid from the taxes of 1907.

Article 6. To see if the town will appropriate fifty dollars towards defraying the expenses of Memorial day.

Article 7. To see if any discount will be allowed on taxes paid on or before the first of September, or take any action in relation to the same.

Article 8. To see what disposition the town will make of money refunded from the county on account of dog tax.

Article 9. To see what compensation the town will allow the collector of taxes for his services.

Article 10. To see if the town will authorize the selectmen to take charge of all legal proceedings for or against the town.

Article 11. To see if the town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 for supplying water and taking care of fountain and grounds presented by Mrs. Susan Preston Draper, or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 12. To see if the town will raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed \$300.00 for scenery for the stage in the Town Hall, and appoint a committee to expend the same.

Article 13. To see if the town will authorize the selectmen to locate additional street lights, raise and appropriate a sum of money not to exceed \$1200.00 for the purpose, or take any action in regard to this matter.

Article 14. To see if the town will vote to locate two additional fire alarm boxes and appropriate money therefor.

Article 15. To see if the town will vote to locate one additional hydrant and appropriate money therefor.

And you are hereby directed to serve this warrant by



posting up attested copies thereof in at least four public places in said town, seven days at least before the time set for said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the clerk of said town, at the time of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands at Hopedale, this 20th day of February, A. D. 1907.

E. A. DARLING,  
L. B. GASKILL,  
S. E. KELLOGG,

Selectmen of Hopedale.

Attest:

WALTER F. DURGIN,  
Constable of Hopedale.

Hopedale, Mass., March 4, 1907.

I have complied with the requirements of this warrant by posting attested copies in the several places herein named.

WALTER F. DURGIN,  
Constable.

A true copy. Attest:

WM. H. JORDAN,  
Town Clerk.

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#### TOWN MEETING, MARCH 4, 1907.

Pursuant to warrant lawfully posted, the inhabitants of Hopedale duly qualified by law to vote in elections and in town affairs, met at Town Hall and punctually at nine o'clock were called to order by the clerk of said town, who read the warrant, and under

Article 1. Mr. F. J. Dutcher was chosen moderator with the use of the check list.

Article 2. The polls being declared open, balloting for town officers, and for "Yes" and "No" in answer to the question "Shall license be granted in this town for the sale of intoxicating liquors"? then proceeded.

Article 3. Voted: That the report of the selectmen, overseers of poor, school committee, engineers of the fire de-

partment, and all other officers of the town be accepted as printed.

Article 4. On the motion of Mr. George Otis Draper, it was, Voted: That the chair appoint a finance committee of nine, who shall retire, and recommend a list of appropriations for the year ensuing.

The chair appointed the following persons to serve on the finance committee.

George Otis Draper, Eben D. Bancroft, Frank H. French,  
E. A. Darling, Howard W. Bracken, Clare H. Draper,  
Lewis B. Gaskill, Frank J. Dutcher, Charles E. Pierce.

Voted: To accept the report of the above committee as read by the secretary, George Otis Draper, and act upon the same, as a whole, with the exception of the appropriation for school physician.

Voted: Unanimously, to raise and appropriate for heating, care, teaching, fuel, supplies, textbooks, improvements, repairs and supervision of schools . . . \$14,500 00

For support of library (exclusive of dog tax) . . . 2,500 00

For highway department, general  
account. . . . \$5,500 00

For highway department, watering  
streets . . . . 1,450 00

For highway department, sidewalks . . . 900 00

For highway department, West  
Main street improvements . . . 10,000 00

17,850 00

For fire department, general account . . . 1,875 00

For fire department, new hose . . . 200 00

For fire department, forest fires . . . 100 00

For fire department, painting . . . 150 00

2,325 00

For incidental department . . . . 3,000 00

For water for fire purposes . . . . 2,200 00

For street lighting account . . . . 2,550 00

For Town Hall account . . . . 500 00

For state and county tax . . . . 13,000 00

For use of tree warden . . . . 500 00



For poor department	.	.	.	:	\$ 800 00
For park commission	.	.	.	.	2,500 00
For interest account	.	.	.	.	400 00
For board of health	.	.	.	.	400 00

Voted: That the sum of \$100.00 be raised and appropriated, the same to be expended under the provisions of Chapter 502 of the Acts of 1906, which is entitled "An Act relative to the appointment of School Physicians."

Article 5. Voted: That for the purpose of procuring a temporary loan to and for the use of the town of Hopedale, in anticipation of the taxes for the present municipal year, the town treasurer is hereby authorized and directed to borrow from time to time, with the approval of the majority of the board of selectmen, a sum or sums not exceeding in the aggregate \$30,000 (thirty thousand dollars) and to execute and deliver the note or notes of the town therefor, payable within one year from the time the loan is made. Any debt or debts incurred by a loan or loans to the town under this vote shall be paid from the said taxes of the present municipal year.

Article 6. Voted: To raise and appropriate the sum of \$50.00 to defray the expense of Memorial day, said amount to be paid to Post 22, G. A. R.

Article 7. Voted: To allow a discount of two per cent on all taxes paid on or before September 1st.

Article 8. On motion of Mr. E. D. Bancroft, it was, Voted: To turn over to the library the money refunded to the town from the county on account of dog tax.

Article 9. On motion of Mr. E. A. Darling, it was, Voted: That the collector of taxes be allowed one half of one per cent for his services.

Article 10. On motion of Mr. Clare H. Draper, it was, Voted: To authorize the selectmen to take charge of all legal proceedings for or against the town.

Article 11. On motion of Mr. E. D. Bancroft it was, Voted: That the sum of \$400.00 be raised and appropriated

for supplying water and taking care of fountain and grounds presented to the town, by Mrs. Susan Preston Draper.

Article 12. On motion of Mr. F. W. Pratt it was, Voted : To raise and appropriate a sum not to exceed \$300.00 for scenery for the stage in the Town Hall, and that a committee consisting of the selectmen expend the same.

Article 13. On motion of Mr. Walter L. Bennett, and after Mr. E. A. Darling had explained the need of more street lights in the town, it was,

Voted : To authorize the selectmen to locate additional street lights, and that a sum of money not to exceed \$1200.00 be raised and appropriated for the purpose.

Article 14. On motion of Mr. George W. Jenkins, it was, Voted : That two additional fire alarm boxes be located, and that \$200.00 be raised and appropriated therefor.

Article 15. On motion of Mr. E. D. Bancroft, it was, Voted : To locate one additional hydrant. (The appropriation for "water for fire purposes" in Article 4 having been made sufficiently large to cover this item.)

Voted : To close the polls at one o'clock P. M.

Punctually at one o'clock the polls were declared closed, by Chairman Darling of the selectmen, the ballots cast were counted, and the result declared as follows : License ; Yes 0, No 111.

There were 146 ballots cast for each of the following town officers :—

Town clerk, Wm. H. Jordan.

Treasurer, E. D. Bancroft.

Collector, E. S. Stimpson.

Auditor, A. A. Messinger.

Selectmen, overseers of poor, board of health and fence viewers, E. A. Darling, L. B. Gaskill, S. E. Kellogg.

Assessor for three years, Wm. Bancroft.

Road Commissioner for 3 years, Charles E. Pierce.

School Committee for 3 years, Frank J. Dutcher.

Trustees of town library for 3 years, Frank H. French.



Constables, Robert Ross, Walter F. Durgin, J. M. French, S. A. Andrew, E. C. Barrows.

Field Drivers, S. L. Madden, J. M. French, Frank Gaskill.

Tree warden, Joseph B. Bancroft.

Park commissioner for 3 years, Charles F. Roper.

Surveyor of lumber, Charles E. Nutting.

Of the above elected officers, the following were present and were sworn to the faithful performance of their duties:—

E. A. Darling, L. B. Gaskill, S. E. Kellogg, E. S. Stimpson, A. A. Messinger and Walter F. Durgin.

Attest:

WM. H. JORDAN,

Town Clerk.

March 29, 1907.

The board of selectmen, town clerk, and Constable Walter F. Durgin met at the selectmen's room, Town Hall, March 29, 1907, at 7.30 p. m. and Selectman L. B. Gaskill drew from the juror box the name of William Bancroft to serve as traverse juror at our supreme judicial court, to be holden at Worcester, within and for our county of Worcester, on the second Tuesday of April, 1907, at ten o'clock in the forenoon.

Attest:

WM. H. JORDAN,

Town Clerk.

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### PETITIONS.

The New England Telephone and Telegraph Company of Massachusetts, respectfully petition the board of selectmen of the town of Hopedale, Massachusetts, for a location for its poles and wires thereon, and the necessary supporting and strengthening fixtures and wires, in the following named streets and highways of said town. A plan showing locations of poles herein petitioned for is to be filed.

Said company agrees to reserve space for one cross arm at the top of all the above poles for telephone, fire alarm, and

police signal wires, owned by the town and used for municipal purposes.

Said poles to be erected under the supervision of such officers as said town may designate.

Following are the streets and highways above referred to : Northrop street from Dutcher street extension to Prospect street extension.

Date March 1, 1907.

THE NEW ENGLAND TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH  
COMPANY OF MASSACHUSETTS.

By F. A. HOUSTON, General Manager.  
W.

IN BOARD OF SELECTMEN, HOPEDALE, MASSACHUSETTS,  
April 5, 1907.

Voted: That the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company of Massachusetts be and it is hereby authorized and permitted to erect and maintain poles and wires to be placed thereon, together with such supporting and strengthening fixtures and wires as said company may deem requisite, in the streets and highways of said town as hereinafter designated.

All construction under this permit shall be in accordance with the following specifications: The poles shall be located between the travelled driveway and the limits of the highway and shall be of wood or other suitable material, and the wires shall run at the usual height and along and across the highway. After the poles and wires have been located as specified in this permit, alterations shall be made in the location or erection of the poles and in the height of the wires, if so directed by the board of selectmen.

Following are the streets and highways above referred to: Northrop street from Dutcher street extension to Prospect street extension.

Signatures of Selectmen,  
E. A. DARLING,  
L. B. GASKILL,  
S. E. KELLOGG.

This permit and the endorsement thereon is recorded in the Records of Town of Hopedale, Book 1, Page 470.

WM. H. JORDAN,  
Town Clerk.

We hereby certify that on April 5, 1907, at 7.30 o'clock P. M. at the office of selectmen in Town Hall, a public hearing was held on the petition of the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company of Massachusetts for permission to erect the poles and other fixtures designated in the specification hereby endorsed and that we mailed at least three days before said hearing a written notice of the time and place of said hearing to each of owners of real estate (as determined by the last preceding assessment for taxation) along the ways or parts of ways upon which it is proposed to construct the lines of said company under said specifications.

Selectmen,  
E. A. DARLING,  
L. B. GASKILL,  
S. E. KELLOGG.

Attest:

WM. H. JORDAN,  
Town Clerk.

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April 6, 1907.

The New England Telephone and Telegraph Company of Massachusetts respectfully petition the board of selectmen of the town of Hopedale, Massachusetts, for a location for its poles and wires thereon, and the necessary supporting and strengthening fixtures and wires in the following named streets and highways of said town. A plan showing locations of poles petitioned for is to be filed. Said company agrees to reserve space for one cross arm at the top of all the above poles for telephone, fire alarm and police signal wires owned by the town and used for municipal purposes. Said poles to be erected under the supervision of such officers as said town may designate.

Following are the streets and highways above referred



to: On Mellen street from South Main street to Plain street via residence of Florence Southwick; Plain street from Mellen street to residence of F. E. Knight via Hopedale school.

Date March 15, 1907.

**THE NEW ENGLAND TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH  
COMPANY OF MASSACHUSETTS.**

By F. A. HOUSTON, General Manager.  
W.

IN BOARD OF SELECTMEN, HOPEDALE, MASSACHUSETTS,  
April 5, 1907.

Voted: That the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company of Massachusetts be and it is hereby authorized and permitted to erect and maintain poles and wires to be placed thereon, together with such supporting and strengthening fixtures and wires as said company may deem requisite, in the streets and highways of said town as hereinafter designated.

All construction under this permit shall be in accordance with the following specifications: The poles shall be located between the travelled driveway and the limits of the highway, and shall be of wood or other suitable material, and the wires shall be run at the usual height and along and across the highway. After the poles and wires have been located as specified in this permit alterations shall be made in the location or erection of the poles, and in the height of the wires, if so directed by the board of selectmen.

Following are the streets and highways above referred to: On Mellen street from South Main street to Plain street, via residence of Florence Southwick; Plain street from Mellen street to residence of F. E. Knight, via Hopedale school.

Signatures of Selectmen,

E. A. DARLING,  
L. B. GASKILL,  
S. E. KELLOGG.

This permit and the endorsement thereon is recorded in the Records of the Town of Hopedale, Book 1, Page 472.

WM. H. JORDAN,  
Town Clerk.

We hereby certify that on April 5, 1907 at 7.30 o'clock P. M. at the office of selectmen in Town Hall a public hearing was held on the petition of the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company of Massachusetts, for permission to erect the poles and other fixtures designated in the specification hereby endorsed and that we mailed at least three days before said hearing a written notice of the time and place of said hearing to each of the owners of real estate (as determined by the last preceding assessment for taxation) along the ways or parts of ways upon which it is proposed to construct the lines of said company under said specification.

Selectmen,

E. A. DARLING,  
L. B. GASKILL,  
S. E. KELLOGG.

Attest:

WM. H. JORDAN,  
Town Clerk.

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May 4, 1907.

The board of selectmen of the town of Hopedale, under Acts 1906, Chapter 421, hereby grants a permit to the Adams Express Company, residing at Depot street, to transport spirituous or intoxicating liquors into or in the town of Hopedale, subject to all the laws now or hereafter in force relative to the transportation of liquors, until the first day of May, 1908. This permit is granted and accepted upon the express conditions that the person or persons above named shall conform to all the requirements of the law; and that in case of any breach of said requirements this permit shall become null and void.

In testimony whereof, the undersigned have hereunto

affixed their official signatures this fourth day of May, 1907.

E. A. DARLING, Chairman of Selectmen.

WM. H. JORDAN, Town Clerk.

A true copy. Attest:

WM. H. JORDAN,

Town Clerk.

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May 28, 1907.

A sixth class liquor license was this day granted to J. J. Gibbs, Druggist, Harrison Block, Hopedale (to expire May 1, 1908) by the selectmen of said town.

Attest:

WM. H. JORDAN,

Town Clerk.

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June 15, 1907.

Wm. S. Hague was this day appointed assistant town clerk, to act in the absence of the town clerk, and was sworn to the faithful performance of his duties.

Attest:

WM. H. JORDAN,

Town Clerk.

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Hopedale, Mass., Oct. 16, 1907.

This is to certify that a plan, "A layout of Northrop street," was this day filed in the town clerk's office (see Town Record Book No. 1, P. 482).

Attest:

WM. H. JORDAN,

Town Clerk.

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October 26, 1907.

I hereby certify that the package containing the ballots cast at the last state election was, in accordance with Sec-



tion 238, Chapter 548, Acts of 1898, this day destroyed by fire unopened and unexamined.

Attest:

WM. H. JORDAN,  
Town Clerk.

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TOWN WARRANT.

November 5, 1907.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS,

*Worcester, ss.*

To either constable of the town of Hopedale, in said county,

Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth aforesaid, you are hereby required to notify and warn the inhabitants of said town qualified by law to vote in elections and in town affairs, to meet at the Town Hall, in said town, on Tuesday, the fifth day of November, A. D. 1907, it being the first Tuesday after the first Monday, punctually at 5.45 o'clock in the forenoon, at which time the polls will be opened for said voters to give in their ballots to the selectmen for governor; lieutenant-governor; secretary; treasurer; auditor; attorney-general; councilor; senator; two representatives in the General Court; county commissioner; two associate commissioners; district attorney for the middle district; sheriff; all on one ballot designating the office intended for each person voted for; also on the same ballot to vote "Yes" or "No" on the following, as provided in Chapter 123 of the Resolves of 1907: "Shall the proposed amendment to the constitution authorizing the governor, with the consent of the council, to remove justices of the peace and notaries public be approved and ratified?"

The polls may be closed at 1 o'clock in the afternoon on said day of meeting.

At 12 o'clock noon of the above mentioned fifth day of November, at the same place, there will be a meeting of the

above described inhabitants to act upon the following articles, namely:—

Article 1. To choose a moderator to preside at said meeting.

Article 2. To see if the town will accept the list of jurors as reported by the selectmen.

Article 3. To hear the report of any committees appointed by the town.

Article 4. To see if the town will vote to accept and allow the laying out of a town way to be called Northrop street, extending from the present Northrop street, so called, easterly to William street, as reported by the board of road commissioners, or take any other action in relation to the laying out of said way.

And you are hereby directed to serve this warrant by posting up attested copies thereof in at least four public places in said town, seven days at least before the time set for said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the clerk of said town, at the time of meeting aforesaid.

Given under our hands at Hopedale, this 24th day of October, A. D. 1907.

E. A. DARLING,  
L. B. GASKILL,  
S. E. KELLOGG,

Selectmen of Hopedale.

Attest:

WALTER F. DURGIN,  
Constable of Hopedale.

Hopedale, Mass., November 5, 1907.

I have complied with the requirements of this warrant by posting attested copies in the several places herein named.

WALTER F. DURGIN,  
Constable.

A true copy. Attest:

WM. H. JORDAN,

Town Clerk.

### TOWN MEETING, NOVEMBER 5, 1907.

Pursuant to warrant lawfully posted, the inhabitants of Hopedale, duly qualified by law to vote in elections and in town affairs, met at Town Hall, and punctually at 5:45 o'clock in the forenoon, were called to order by the clerk of said town, who read the warrant, after which the polls were declared open.

The cards of instructions and sample ballots being previously posted, the ballot clerks and deputy ballot clerks were sworn to the faithful performance of their duty, the official ballots delivered by the presiding officer to the ballot clerks, who receipted therefor. The ballot box registered at zero, and was shown to be empty. The ballot box was locked and the keys delivered to Constable Walter F. Durgin. Voting then proceeded.

At 12 o'clock noon there was a meeting of the above described inhabitants, and under Article 1 Mr. F. J. Dutcher was chosen moderator with the use of the check list.

Article 2. Voted: To accept the list of jurors as reported by the selectmen, which list follows:—

Frank C. Albee,	Chas. M. Fairbank,	DeForrest Morrison,
Frank L. Arnold,	R. G. Gaskill,	Arthur E. Nelson,
William Bancroft,	W. H. Grayson,	Henry A. Stearns,
H. M. Bates,	Edwin C. Hall,	Chas. M. Thayer,
W. L. Beals,	E. A. Harding,	A. A. Westcott, 2d,
C. H. Bull,	John S. Henry,	David A. Westcott,
James D. Draper,	Wm. E. Knights,	Wilmarth A. Westcott,
Albion H. French,	H. B. Leonard;	H. E. Woodbury,
	F. S. Wilcox.	

Article 3. No reports.

Article 4. Voted: Unanimously, that the town do accept and allow the laying out of the town way to be called



Northrop street, as reported by the board of road commissioners. See report in Book 1, Page 482 of Town Records.

Voted: To close the polls at 4.34 o'clock, this being the hour of sunset.

At 12.50 o'clock the ballot box, which registered 384, was opened by Constable Walter F. Durgin, and 384 ballots were taken therefrom; the tellers being duly sworn as the law directs, counting proceeded. At 3.05 o'clock the ballot box, which registered 439, was again opened by the constable and 55 ballots were taken therefrom; at 3.50 o'clock the ballot box, which registered 450, was again opened by the constable and 11 ballots taken therefrom to complete a block. Promptly at 4.34 o'clock, the hour of sunset, the polls were declared closed, the ballot box, which now registered 459, was again opened, and 9 more ballots taken therefrom, making a total of 459. 459 names had been checked on the voting list, and 459 names had been checked on the ballot clerk's list. After compiling the total vote the result was declared in open meeting, and was as follows:—

#### GOVERNOR.

Charles W. Bartlett, of Newton, Anti Merger	1
Thomas F. Brennan, of Salem, Socialist Labor	0
John W. Brown, of Worcester, Socialist	7
Hervey S. Cowell of Ashburnham, Prohibition	2
Curtis Guild, jr., of Boston, Republican	387
Thomas L. Hisgen, of West Springfield, Ind. League	27
Henry M. Whitney of Brookline, Democratic	14
Henry M. Whitney of Brookline, Ind. Citizens'	6
Henry M. Whitney of Brookline, Dem. Citizens' Nom.	
Paper	0
Blanks	15
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#### LIEUTENANT-GOVERNOR.

E. Gerry Brown, of Brockton, Ind. League	17
John T. Cahill of Lawrence, Anti Merger	2
Eben S. Draper, of Hopedale, Republican	411

Walter J. Hoar, of Worcester, Socialist Labor . . .	0
Robert Lawrance of Clinton, Socialist . . .	5
Jonathan S. Lewis, of Stoneham, Prohibition . . .	4
George A. Schofield, of Ipswich, Democratic Citizens' Nom. Paper, Dem. . . . .	14
Blanks . . . . .	6
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## SECRETARY.

Solon W. Bingham, of Newton, Prohibition . . .	3
Odilon Z. E. Charest, of Holyoke, Democratic Citizens' Nom. Papers, Dem. . . . .	20
John Hall, jr., of Chicopee, Socialist . . .	8
William M. Olin, of Boston, Republican . . .	397
Arthur E. Reimer, of Boston, Socialist Labor . . .	0
Dennis J. Ring, of Lowell, Ind. League . . .	11
Blanks . . . . .	20
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## TREASURER.

Albert Barnes, of Fall River, Socialist Labor . . .	2
Edward J. Cantwell, of Fall River, Ind. League . . .	10
Arthur B. Chapin, of Holyoke, Republican . . .	390
William P. Connery, of Lynn, Anti Merger . . .	1
Daniel F. Doherty, of Westfield, Democratic Citizens' Nom. Paper, Dem. . . . .	19
Charles C. Hitchcock, of Ware, Socialist . . .	8
Edward Kendall, of Cambridge, Prohibition . . .	4
Blanks . . . . .	25
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## AUDITOR.

Joao Claudino, of New Bedford, Socialist Labor . . .	2
Joseph A. Conroy, of Boston, Democratic Citizens' Nom. Papers, Dem. . . . .	24
Thomas E. Finnerty, of Clinton, Ind. League . . .	10
George G. Hall, of Boston, Socialist . . .	8

James F. Pease, of Merrimac, Prohibition	.	.	5
Henry E. Turner, of Malden, Republican	.	.	382
Blanks	.	.	28
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## ATTORNEY-GENERAL.

Allen Coffin, of Nantucket, Prohibition	.	.	4
Dana Malone, of Greenfield, Republican	.	.	388
James McCarty, of Abington, Socialist	.	.	7
James E. McConnell, of Boston, Democratic	.	.	19
William N. Osgood, of Lowell, Ind. League	.	.	15
Harvey H. Pratt, of Scituate, Anti Merger	.	.	1
Gilbert G. Smith, of Lawrence, Socialist Labor	.	.	1
Blanks	.	.	24
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## COUNCILLOR (7TH DISTRICT).

Joseph P. Love, of Webster, Democratic	.	.	29
Calvin D. Paige of Southbridge, Republican	.	.	382
Blanks	.	.	48
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## SENATOR (4TH WORCESTER DISTRICT).

Christopher D. Albro, of Milford, Prohibition	.	.	15
William F. Haggerty, of Worcester, Democratic	.	.	31
Winfield S. Schuster, of Douglas, Republican	.	.	375
Blanks	.	.	38
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## REPRESENTATIVES IN GENERAL COURT (9TH WORCESTER DISTRICT).

Charles L. Aldrich, of Northbridge, Prohibition	.	.	7
William P. Clarke, of Milford, Democratic	.	.	30
S. Alden Eastman, of Milford, Republican	.	.	352
Michael T. Flaherty, of Northbridge, Democratic	.	.	21
Napoleon B. Johnson, of Milford, Prohibition	.	.	14



Edward C. Lyford, of Upton, Republican	.	.	352
Blanks	.	.	142
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## COUNTY COMMISSIONERS (WORCESTER).

George W. Cook of Barre, Republican	.	.	380
Francois X. Tetrault, of Southbridge	.	:	25
Blanks	.	.	54
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## ASSOCIATE COMMISSIONERS (WORCESTER).

George P. Cooke, of Milford, Democratic	.	.	36
S. Augustus Howe, of Gardner, Republican	.	.	346
George E. Morse, of Hubbardston, Democratic	.	.	23
George F. Morse, of Leominster, Republican	.	.	336
Blanks	.	.	177
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## DISTRICT ATTORNEY (MIDDLE DISTRICT).

George E. O'Toole, of Clinton, Democratic	.	.	30
George S. Taft, of Uxbridge, Republican	.	.	394
Blanks	.	.	85
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## SHERIFF (WORCESTER COUNTY).

Robert H. Chamberlain, of Worcester, Republican	.	.	381
James Fisher, of Uxbridge, Democratic	.	.	45
Blanks	.	.	33
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## PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION.

Yes	.	.	.	.	.	.	168
No	.	.	.	.	.	.	50
Blanks	.	.	.	.	.	.	241
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After the announcement of the above in open meeting the check lists used by the selectmen and ballot clerks, to-

gether with the canceled and unused ballots and tally sheets, were made secure and delivered to the town clerk.

Attest :

WM. H. JORDAN,

Town Clerk.

TOWN OF HOPEDALE, BOARD OF ROAD COMMISSIONERS.

Upon the petition of William F. Draper and others, residents of said town, asking that a town way or street be laid out extending from Northrop street to Freedom street at the point where it is intersected by William street, we, the board of road commissioners of said town, give notice as required by law to all owners of land over which said way is laid out and to all abutters on said way of our intention to lay out said way, and in accordance with said notice we met upon the location of said way as laid out and heard all the parties interested; and we have determined and adjudicated that public necessity and convenience require the laying out of a town way in accordance with said petition, and we have laid out, and do hereby lay out a town way, the boundaries and measurements of which way are as follows: The southerly line thereof commences at the easterly end of the southerly line of a town way called Northrop street, and thence runs N. 70 degrees E. 536.5 feet; thence turning southerly, with a curve of 20 degrees, the radius of which is 287.94 feet, 143 feet; thence S. 81 degrees, 30 minutes E. 453 feet; thence turning southerly with a curve the radius of which is 20 feet, till it meets the westerly line of a town way called Freedom street.

Said way is laid out on the northerly side of the above described line and, commencing at its westerly end, is 40 feet in width as far as the easterly end of the first line above described, at which point the northerly line of said way turns southerly with a 20 degree curve the radius of which is 287.94 feet, 143 feet, and so that at the easterly end of said curve said way will be 42 feet in width; thence said way continues 42 feet in width and the northerly line thereof continues S. 81 degrees, 30 minutes E. to the westerly line of

said Freedom street and in line with a northerly line of a town way called William street.

Said way as laid out extends over lands of Henry L. Patrick and of Charles F. Roper, William F. Draper and Clare H. Draper, co-partners under the name of C. F. Roper and Company, and of the Draper Company, and is abutted northerly by lands of said Patrick, of Joseph Northrop, of said Draper Company and of land of said C. F. Roper and Company, and southerly by park land of the town of Hopedale, land of said C. F. Roper and Company and of said Draper Company; said lay-out being in accordance with a plan thereof filed herewith in the office of the town clerk, made by Henry W. Gaskill, C. E., dated September 18th, 1907, and marked "Plan of a Proposed Street, Hopedale, Mass.," said town way or street to be known as Northrop street; and we have laid out said way under the provisions of law permitting the assessment of betterments, and we have assessed damages because of said lay-out as follows:—

To Henry L. Patrick,	No damage;
To the Draper Company,	No damage;
To Charles F. Roper, William F. Draper and Clare H. Draper, as tenants in common,	No damage.

CHAS. E. PIERCE,  
C. H. DRAPER,

Board of Road Commissioners of the Town of Hopedale.  
Hopedale, Mass., October 12, 1907.

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#### JUROR DRAWN.

William Bancroft, traverse juror, March 29, 1907.

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#### DOG LICENSES ISSUED.

99 male, 8 female. Amount sent to County Treasurer, \$214.80, of which amount \$191.18 was returned to the town.



## CLERKS' MEETING.

## COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

*Worcester, ss.*

In compliance with Section 257 of Chapter 11 of the Revised Laws, we, the town clerks of the towns of Hopedale, Milford, Mendon, Northbridge and Upton, which towns comprise the Ninth Worcester Representative District, this day met at the office of the town clerk in said Milford, and canvassed the return of votes in said towns for two Representatives in the General Court, to be holden in Boston on the first Wednesday of January next. Said votes were returned to us as by law required and were given in at a legal meeting held in each of said towns for that purpose, on the 5th day of November, A. D. 1907, and was shown by the following tabular statement :

	Hopedale.	Mendon.	Milford.	Northbridge.	Upton.	Total.
Charles L. Aldrich, Northbridge, Pro.,	7	8	8	54	5	83
William P. Clarke, Mil- ford, Dem.,	30	18	690	194	58	990
S. Alden Eastman, Mil- ford, Rep.,	352	78	812	363	213	1818
Michael T. Flaherty, Northbridge, Dem.	21	13	520	255	44	853
Napoleon B. Johnson, Milford, Pro.	14	11	55	18	8	106
Edward C. Lyford, Up- ton, Rep.,	352	71	620	348	237	1628
Charles Magee, Milford,			1			1
John Higgins, Milford,			1			1
Blanks,	142	35	664	300	85	1226

S. Alden Eastman of Milford, and Edward C. Lyford of Upton having received the largest number of votes, were declared elected, and to them were certificates issued, also a duplicate sent to the Secretary of the Commonwealth as the law requires.

In witness whereof, we, the town clerks of Hopedale,

Mendon, Milford, Northbridge and Upton, have hereunto set our names this 15th day of November A. D. 1907.

WM. H. JORDAN, Town Clerk of Hopedale,  
 HORACE C. ADAMS, Town Clerk of Mendon,  
 DENNIS J. SULLIVAN, Town Clerk of Milford,  
 JOSEPH A. JOHNSTON, Town Clerk of Northbridge,  
 FRANCIS T. NELSON, Town Clerk of Upton.

A true copy. Attest:

WM. H. JORDAN,  
 Town Clerk.

### PETITION.

Hopedale, Dec. 12, 1907.

The New England Telephone and Telegraph Company of Massachusetts respectfully petitions the Board of Selectmen of the town of Hopedale, Mass., for a location for its poles and wires thereon, and the necessary supporting and strengthening fixtures and wires, in the following named streets and highways of said town. A plan showing locations of poles herein petitioned for is to be filed. Said company agrees to reserve space for one cross arm at the top of all the above poles for telephone, fire alarm and police signal wires, owned by the town and used for municipal purposes. Said poles to be erected under the supervision of such officers as said town may designate.

Following are the streets and highways above referred to: South Main street from Milford town line to Mendon town line.

Locations to be identical with those granted the Milford Light and Power Company, one line of poles to be used jointly by both companies.

Date, December 4, 1907.

THE NEW ENGLAND TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH  
 COMPANY OF MASSACHUSETTS.

By F. A. HOUSTON, General Manager.  
 F. E. W.

## IN BOARD OF SELECTMEN, HOPEDALE, MASSACHUSETTS,

December 12, 1907.

Voted : That the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company of Massachusetts be and it is hereby authorized and permitted to erect and maintain poles and wires to be placed thereon, together with such supporting and strengthening fixtures and wires as said company may deem requisite, in the streets and highways of said town as hereinafter designated.

All construction under this permit shall be in accordance with the following specifications: The poles shall be located between the travelled driveway and the limits of the highway, and shall be of wood or other suitable material, and the wires shall be run at the usual height and along and across the highway. After the poles and wires have been located as specified in this permit, alterations shall be made in the location or erection of the poles, and in the height of the wires, if so directed by the board of selectmen.

Following are the streets and highways referred to: South Main street from Milford town line to Mendon town line.

Locations to be identical with those granted the Milford Light and Power Company, one line of poles to be used jointly by both companies.

Signatures of Selectmen,

E. A. DARLING,

L. B. GASKILL,

S. E. KELLOGG.

This permit and the endorsement thereon is recorded in the records of the town of Hopedale, Book 1, Page 485.

WM. H. JORDAN,

Town Clerk.

We hereby certify that on December 12th, 1907, at 7.30 o'clock, p. m., at the selectmen's room a public hearing was held on the petition of the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company of Massachusetts for permission to erect the poles and other fixtures designated in the specifications here-



by endorsed, and that we mailed, at least three days before said hearing, a written notice of the time and place of said hearing to each of the owners of real estate (as determined by the last preceding assessment for taxation) along the ways or parts of ways upon which it is proposed to construct the lines of said company under said specifications.

E. A. DARLING,  
L. B. GASKILL,  
S. E. KELLOGG,

Selectmen.

A true copy. Attest :

WM. H. JORDAN,  
Town Clerk.

# VITAL STATISTICS.

## MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN 1907.

DATE.	NAMES.	RESIDENCE.	AGE.	MARRIAGE.	BY WHOM AND WHERE MARRIED.
1907.					
Jan. 9	Walter F. Durgin,	Hopedale,	39	1st	Rev. F. Hamilton,
	Cecile V. Looke,	Hopedale,	24	1st	Boston.
" 22	Edward E. Adams,	Hopedale,	24	1st	Rev. E. W. Whitney,
	Nina Viola F. Mason,	Milford,	26	1st	Milford.
Feb. 28	Richard L. Royce,	Hopedale,	25	1st	Rev. Oliver Brown,
	Evelyn A. Page,	Alstead, N. H.	21	1st	Alstead, N. H.
Mar. 16	Louis R. Quenneville,	Milford,	23	1st	Rev. E. W. Whitney,
	Grace M. Turner,	Hopedale,	24	1st	Milford.
" 25	Joseph Carroll,	Hopedale,	22	1st	Rev. F. W. Pratt,
	Mabel L. Wheeler,	Hopedale,	26	1st	Hopedale.
Apr. 1	Clarence H. Lapworth,	Hopedale,	24	1st	Rev. A. G. E. Jenner,
	Lillian Spicer,	Milford,	22	1st	Providence, R.I.
" 10	Asa A. Westcott,	Hopedale,	29	1st	Rev. F. A. Warfield,
	Marion E. Dewing,	Hopedale,	27	1st	Hopedale.
" 24	Lewell S. Walker,	Natick,	26	1st	Rev. F. W. Pratt,
	Lillian I. Bates,	Hopedale,	24	1st	Hopedale.
" 28	John F. Gaffney,	Hopedale,	29	1st	Rev. E. W. Whitney,
	Emma E. Grant,	Hopedale,	19	1st	Milford.
June 4	Merrill E. Burgess,	Northbridge,	24	1st	Rev. David Howie,
	Harriet M. Hayward,	Northbridge,	23	1st	Hopedale.
" 5	Roy D. G. Matthews,	Milford,	28	1st	Rev. R. T. Walker,
	Vera Hurt,	Hopedale,	22	1st	Hopedale.
" 13	Samuel J. Williams,	Hopedale,	21	1st	Rev. T. C. Watkins,
	Nettie G. Burielgh,	Milford,	18	1st	Milford.
" 15	Mark Smith,	Hopedale,	21	1st	Rev. E. W. Whitney,
	Adella E. Greenleaf,	Hopedale,	18	1st	Milford.
" 19	Simeon B. Alger,	Hopedale,	32	1st	Rev. E. W. Whitney,
	Adelaide R. Gardner,	Hopedale,	36	2nd	Hopedale.
" 21	Charles W. Tracy,	Hopedale,	21	1st	Rev. A. C. Skinner,
	Cora B. Dolliff,	Hyde Park,	20	1st	Hyde Park.
" 24	Cromwell E. Fairbanks,	Hopedale,	26	1st	Rev. E. W. Whitney,
	Susannah Wren,	Upton,	22	1st	Milford.
" 27	Robert H. Newton,	Brockton,	29	1st	Rev. T. C. Watkins,
	Mabel E. Hollis,	Hopedale,	26	1st	Milford.
July 6	Percival Treloar,	Hopedale,	27	1st	Rev. James Yeames,
	Ethel A. L. Payn-Sills,	Arlington,	34	1st	Arlington.
Aug. 5	Henry Lawrence,	Hopedale,	38	2nd	Rev. J. H. Holden,
	Blanche L. Gowen,	Attleboro,	35	1st	Woods Hole.
Sept. 3	William S. Lapworth,	Hopedale,	28	1st	Rev. A. G. E. Jenner,
	Margaret F. Phillips,	Milford,	22	1st	Providence, R.I.
" 4	Edward H. Skillin,	Hopedale,	21	1st	Rev. David Howie,
	Hazel M. Morrill,	Hopedale,	20	1st	Hopedale.
" 22	George D. Harback,	West Upton,	23	1st	Rev. David Howie,
	Anna Olsson,	West Upton,	18	1st	Hopedale.
Oct. 1	Elwin A. Nutting,	Sunapee, N. H.	28	1st	Rev. David Howie,
	Ruth C. Henry,	Hopedale,	21	1st	Hopedale.
" 2	Edgar L. Bacon,	Hopedale,	25	1st	Rev. E. W. Whitney,
	Anna O. Mather,	Milford,	21	1st	Milford.
" 15	George W. Lunt,	Hopedale,	24	1st	Rev. P. A. Allen, Jr.,
	Alta L. Goss,	Orange,	23	1st	Orange.
" 19	George W. Kneeland,	Hopedale,	27	1st	Rev. E. W. Whitney,
	Elsie J. Sumner,	Hopedale,	24	1st	Milford
" 26	Paul Day,	Hopedale,	32	1st	Rev. Geo. C. Stewart,
	Rachel Currey,	Evanston, Ills.,	24	1st	Evanston, Ills.
" 26	Edward Wilson,	Hopedale,	31	1st	Rev. F. W. Pratt,
	Annie T. Hoggarth,	Hopedale,	39	2nd	Hopedale.
" 30	Dana W. Wilbur,	Lawrence,	24	1st	Rev. L. G. Wilson,
	Dorothy M. Pierce,	Hopedale,	19	1st	Hopedale.
Nov. 30	Lester W. Keith,	Hopedale,	35	1st	Rev. Alex Mitchell,
	Ella L. Wheeler,	Hopedale,	29	1st	Providence, R.I.

## BIRTHS REGISTERED DURING 1907.

DATE.	NAME.	PARENTS.
1906.		
June	17 Constance Bates Lapworth,	Winfield S. and Henrietta C. (Bates.)
1907.		
Jan.	13 Frederic Lawrence Knox,	Clarence I. and Alice M. (Walker.)
"	27 Charles Abner Adams,	Charles W. and Minnie E. (Whitman.)
March	6 Frances Jeanette Sweet,	Arthur O. and Ada M. (Snow.)
April	24 Esther Catherine Martin,	John and Mary E. (McDermott.)
"	30 Stella May Draper,	George E. and Sophia E. (Pope.)
"	80 Charlotte Perry,	Urville L. and Ethel (Chandler.)
May	14 John Preston Johnson,	Walter and Lucy (Ashton.)
"	14 Esther Negrotte,	Joseph and Mary (Cirina.)
June	4 Roger Smith,	Arthur F. W. and Annie E. (Collins.)
"	20 Avis Sarah Huff,	Nelson and Etta (Miller.)
"	24 Cecile May Dorothy Durgin,	Walter F. and Cecile V. (Looke.)
July	5 Mabel Hepsey Fuller,	George A. and Mabel O. (Barrows.)
"	16 Marion Jeanette Spaulding,	Fred A. and Gertrude M. (Read.)
"	20 Harry Philip Fancher,	Harry and Elizabeth (Welce.)
"	30 Norman Tobey Howes,	Louis I. and Alice F. (Hallett.)
Aug.	1 Barbara Emma McCaslin,	William and Anna M. (Petersen.)
"	19 William Maynard Draper,	William N. and Annie (Maynard.)
"	25 George Augustus Johnson,	Charles A. and Grace A. (Whitney.)
"	28 Stillborn,	
"	31 <del>Stillborn,</del> Woodbury,	Harry E. and Marlon S. (Howe.)
Sept.	9 Anna MacDonald,	James J. and Agnes J. (Gately.)
"	11 George Clarence Baldwin,	Charles E. and Abbie E. (Ballou.)
"	11 Glades Cristine Sivert,	Axel and Ellen (Stenholm.)
"	14 Charles William Lemon,	Raymond D. and Susan (Norton.)
"	19 Carlton Southwick Metcalf,	Frederick W. and Clara E. (Southwick.)
Oct.	5 Ernestine May Albee,	Frederick C. and Laura (Simpson.)
"	11 Stillborn,	
"	17 James Arthur Day,	Willard E. and Eleanor (Thompson.)
"	23 Louis Taft,	Alfred and Louise (Barrows.)
"	25 John W. Davis, Jr.,	John W. and Nellie (Adams.)
Nov.	12 Eleanor Roper,	Walter F. and Harriette F. (Nichols.)
"	17 Joseph Henry Grant,	Joseph J. and Susie A. (Marsh.)
"	20 Charles Edward Johnson,	Arthur and Helena E. (Cannon.)
"	28 Charles Stanley Miller,	Archibald and Rose (Wheeler.)
Dec.	4 Charlotte Cushman Arey,	Freeman B. and Gertrude C. (Young.)
"	4 Helen Redgrave,	Frank W. and Lillian B. (Ide.)
"	13 Evelyn Donovan Stusse,	Herman and Ida (Finley.)
"	18 Dorothea Westcott,	Wilmarth A. and Evelyn (Underhill.)
"	31 Richard Howard Goodell,	Lucius A. and Grace M. (Robbins.)



## DEATHS REGISTERED IN 1907.

DATE.	NAME OF DECEASED.	AGE.			DISEASE OR CAUSE OF DEATH.	PLACE OF BIRTH.
		Y	M	D		
1907.						
Jan. 1	Alice I. Kies,	58	9	19	Pernicious Anæmia,	Walpole.
" 1	William Noyes,	83	9	14	Senility,	England.
" 14	Mary Larkin,	85	8	9	Old Age,	Ireland.
Feb. 8	Mary F. Johnson,	69	0	9	Interstitial Nephritis,	Littleton, N.H.
" 18	Lyman E. H. Tinkham,	55	2	21	Carcinoma,	Clinton.
March 12	Fred B. Williams,	31	3	10	Apoplexy,	New York, N.Y.
" 14	Caroline M. Paine,	89	8	15	Senility,	Marblehead.
" 21	Samuel A. Andrew,	65	5	5	Paralysis,	Coventry, R. I.
" 22	Irving Force,	80	10	7	Chronic Nephritis,	Medway.
" 26	Alice F. Lowell,	58	11	23	Pneumonia,	Mendon.
" 29	Joseph Chapdelaine,	71			Organic Heart Disease,	Canada.
April 16	Abraham E. Tillotson,	82	3	6	Senility,	Ashford, Conn.
" 18	Mary L. Gray,	40	5	2	Septicæmia,	Holliston.
" 20	Amelia A. Bosson,	79			Senile Gangrene,	Nova Scotia.
" 30	Leon A. Albee,	17	4	7	Measles-Pneumonia,	Milford.
May 7	Ellen M. Russell,	70			Debility of Age,	Princeton.
" 11	Catherine Coyne,	50	8	6	Phthisis Pulmonalis,	Milford.
" 14	Henry Stimpson,	81	8	14	Heart Disease,	England.
" 15	Ernest J. Knox,	34	9	27	Chronic Nephritis,	Sutton.
" 22	Ella A. Staples,	54	11	1	Impaction of Gall Stones	Brookfield.
" 30	Olivia A. Jefts,	72	10	19	Chronic Nephritis,	Winchendon.
June 3	Clarence E. Metcalf,	55	9	12	Pernicious Anæmia,	Douglas.
" 23	Harold W. Sinclair,	1	9	5	Convulsions,	Cambridge.
July 24	Hannah E. Chase,	65	0	11	Tuberculosis,	England.
Aug. 27	Evelyn M. Westcott,	8	7	16	Ileo Colitis,	Hopedale.
" 28	Stillborn,					
Oct. 9	Sarah Northrop,	77	5	18	Cerebral Apoplexy,	England.
" 11	Stillborn,					
" 12	Stephen McNeil,	18	7		Valvular Heart Disease,	Milford.
Nov. 3	William W. Warner,	71	3	9	Intestinal Nephritis,	Simsbury, Ct.
Dec. 1	Clarissa J. White,	88	0	28	Senility,	Upton.
" 8	Patrick H. Gleason,	64	8	21	Valvular Heart Disease,	Ireland.
" 18	Dorothea Westcott,				Inanition,	Hopedale.
" 22	George A. Knight,	24	1	11	Tuberculosis Pulmonalis	Hopedale.
" 22	Francis B. Butterfield,	64			Pneumonia,	Lowell.
" 23	Katherine M. Ball,	1	11	5	Accidental Poisoning,	Hopedale.
" 27	Catherine Connors,	68			Appendicitis,	Ireland.
" 30	Caroline Freeman,	94	2	17	Apoplexy,	Northbridge.

Parents and others are requested to carefully examine the above lists and if any errors or omissions are discovered report them at once to the town clerk, that the record may be corrected, as it is of importance that the records of Vital Statistics should be complete. Herewith are extracts from the Revised Laws of Massachusetts, Vol. I., Chap. 29.

SECTION 3. Physicians and midwives shall on or before the fifth day of each month report to the clerk of each city or town a correct list of all children born therein during the preceding month at whose birth they were present, stating the date and place of each birth, the name, if any, of the child, its

sex and color, and the name, place of birth, and residence of the parents, the maiden name of the mother, and the occupation of the father. If the child is illegitimate, the name of, and other facts relating to, the father shall not be stated, except at the request in writing of both father and mother, filed with the return. The fee of the physician or midwife shall be twenty-five cents for each birth so reported, which shall be paid by the city or town where the report is made, upon presentation to the city or town treasurer of a certificate from the city or town clerk stating that said births have been properly reported to him. A physician or midwife who neglects to report such lists on or before the fifteenth day of the month shall for each offence forfeit not more than twenty-five dollars.

SECTION 6. Parents within forty days after the birth of a child, and every householder, within forty days after a birth in his house, shall cause notice thereof to be given to the clerk of the city or town in which such child is born.

Blanks can be obtained on application to the town clerk.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM H. JORDAN,

Town Clerk.

# TREASURER'S REPORT, 1907.

SCHOOL DEPARTMENT in account with E. D. BANCROFT, Treasurer.

To orders drawn, viz. :—	Dr.		Cr.	
		By appropriations :—		
Teaching, Hopedale . . . . .	\$8,175 50	General . . . . .		\$14,500 00
Teaching, South Hopedale . . . . .	524 00	School physician . . . . .		100 00
Care, Hopedale . . . . .	1,213 12	School property sold . . . . .		32 78
Care, South Hopedale . . . . .	42 00	Tuition . . . . .		38 50
Fuel, Hopedale . . . . .	1,257 32			
Fuel, South Hopedale . . . . .	111 07			
Text books . . . . .	603 11			
Supervision . . . . .	673 34			
Repairs . . . . .	838 59			
Incidentals . . . . .	714 07			
Transportation . . . . .	273 50			
Improvements . . . . .	72 59			
School physician . . . . .	46 00			
Balance . . . . .	127 07			
	<u>\$14,671 28</u>			<u>\$14,671 28</u>
		Balance unexpended :—General . . . . .		\$73 07
		School physician . . . . .		\$54 00



PARK COMMISSION in account with E. D. BANCROFT, Treasurer.

Dr.		Cr.	
To orders drawn, viz.:—		By appropriation:—	
Grading . . . . .	\$ 4 00	Labor and material charged to sundry parties . . . . .	\$2,500 00
Fertilizer . . . . .	92 75	Interest on fund of Adin street lot . . . . .	345 75
Roads . . . . .	540 59		90 00
Pay roll . . . . .	1,362 67		
Tools . . . . .	70 45		
Bath house . . . . .	91 01		
Band stand . . . . .	55 52		
Plans, etc. . . . .	56 54		
Adin street lot . . . . .	70 23		
Incidentals (See commissioners' report)	566 92		
Balance . . . . .	25 07		
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	\$2,935 75		
		Balance unexpended . . . . .	\$2,935 75
			\$25 07

## LIBRARY DEPARTMENT in account with E. D. BANCROFT, Treasurer.

NOTE.—Items in last year's report as "income from W. F. Draper fund," pages 34 and 47, should have been printed "funds from General W. F. Draper," referring to donation by him to library trustees, for purchase of scientific works.

# HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT in account with E. D. BANCROFT, Treasurer.

Dr.

To orders drawn, viz.:—

Labor and material used in general repairs . . . . .  
 Watering streets . . . . .  
 Sundries (See commissioners' report) . . . . .  
 Balance . . . . .

\$7,253 11  
 1,042 52  
 229 71  
 364 37

\$8,889 71

Balance overdrawn:—

General . . . . .

\$45 11

Cr.

By appropriations:—

General . . . . .  
 Watering streets . . . . .  
 Watering streets, J. F. Damon . . . . .  
 Street railway excise tax 1907 . . . . .  
 Material and work furnished and charged to sundry parties . . . . .

\$5,500 00  
 1,450 00  
 2 00  
 291 34  
 1,646 37

\$8,889 71

Balance unexpended:—

Watering streets . . . . .

\$409 48

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# TREASURER'S REPORT—CONTINUED.

## SIDEWALK DEPARTMENT in account with E. D. BANCROFT, Treasurer.

Dr.		Cr.
To orders drawn, viz. :—		
Labor and material . . .	\$985 49	By appropriation . . . \$ 900 00
Balance . . .	24 99	Abutters' charges on new walks . . 110 48
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	\$1,010 48	
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		\$1,010 48
		\$24 99
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		Balance unexpended . . .

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## WEST MAIN STREET IMPROVEMENTS in account with E. D. BANCROFT, Treasurer.

Dr.		Cr.
To orders drawn . . .		
Balance . . .	\$ 28 21	By appropriation . . . \$10,000 00
	9,971 79	
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	\$10,000 00	
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		\$10,000 00
		\$9,971 79
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		Balance unexpended . . .



FIRE DEPARTMENT in account with E. D. BANCROFT, Treasurer.

Dr.		Cr.	
To orders drawn, viz.:—		By appropriations:—	
Pay of members . . . . .	\$1,008 03	General . . . . .	\$1,875 00
Fuel . . . . .	42 71	New hose . . . . .	200 00
Water . . . . .	11 00	Forest fires . . . . .	100 00
Lights . . . . .	31 62	Painting hose house . . . . .	150 00
Hose . . . . .	204 27	New fire alarm boxes . . . . .	200 00
Forest fires . . . . .	25 25	Material sold . . . . .	18 81
New fire alarm boxes . . . . .	184 75		
Painting hose house . . . . .	148 35		
Telephones . . . . .	45 91		
Sundries (See engineers' report) . . . . .	761 05		
Balance . . . . .	80 37		
	<u>\$2,543 31</u>		<u>\$2,543 31</u>
Balances overdrawn:—		Balances unexpended:—	
General . . . . .	\$7 01	Forest fires . . . . .	\$74 75
New hose . . . . .	\$4 27	New fire alarm boxes . . . . .	\$15 25
		Painting hose house . . . . .	\$1 65

# TREASURER'S REPORT—CONTINUED.

INCIDENTAL DEPARTMENT in account with E. D. BANCROFT, Treasurer.

Dr.

To orders drawn, viz. :—

Salaries :—

Selectmen . . .	\$200 00
Selectmen's clerk . . .	50 00
Treasurer . . .	100 00
Town clerk . . .	50 00
Collector . . .	158 78
Assessors . . .	180 00
Registrars . . .	110 00
Auditor . . .	20 00
Election officials . . .	28 00
Cattle inspector . . .	25 00
Town counsel . . .	200 00

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Stationery . . .	58 50
Printing . . .	287 00
Insurance . . .	422 84
Court expenses . . .	65 49

Cr.

By appropriation :—

General . . .	\$3,000 00
Court fines . . .	28 94
J. J. Gibbs, druggist's license . . .	1 00
Mrs. H. H. Thayer, killing dog . . .	1 00
Stationery sold . . .	75

Sundries (See selectmen's report)	464 29	
Balance	601 79	
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	\$3,026 69	\$3,026 69
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Balance unexpended		\$601 79

BOARD OF HEALTH in account with E. D. BANCROFT, Treasurer.

Dr.

To orders drawn, viz. :—

Sundries (See board of health report)		
Balance		

Cr.

By appropriation	\$400 00
G. W. Knight, fumigating	10 00
	43

\$ 92 18	
317 82	
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\$410 00	

Balance unexpended	\$410 00
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	\$317 82

# TREASURER'S REPORT—CONTINUED.

POOR DEPARTMENT in account with E. D. BANCROFT, Treasurer.

Dr.		Cr.
To orders drawn, viz. :—		
Sundries (See overseers' report)	\$260 04	
Balance	539 96	
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	\$800 00	
		By appropriation . . . \$800 00
		Balance unexpended . . . \$800 00
		\$539 96
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STATE AID in account with E. D. BANCROFT, Treasurer.

Dr.		Cr.
To amount paid on orders and charged		
to state on 1907 account	\$490 00	
		By amount received from state on 1906
		account . . . \$402 00
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SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS in account with E. D. BANCROFT, Treasurer.

Dr.

Cr.

*Water Account.*

To orders drawn . . . . .	\$2,166 67	By appropriation . . . . .	\$2,200 00
Balance . . . . .	33 33		
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	\$2,200 00		\$2,200 00
		Balance unexpended . . . . .	\$33 33

*Street Lighting Account.*

To orders drawn . . . . .	\$2,542 44	By appropriation . . . . .	\$2,550 00
Balance . . . . .	7 56		
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	\$2,550 00		\$2,550 00
		Balance unexpended . . . . .	\$7 56

*Additional Street Lights.*

To orders drawn . . . . .	\$ 64 26	By appropriation . . . . .	\$1,200 00
Balance . . . . .	1,135 74		
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	\$1,200 00		\$1,200 00
		Balance unexpended . . . . .	\$1,135 74

# TREASURER'S REPORT—CONTINUED.

SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS in account with E. D. BANCROFT, Treasurer—Continued.

## Memorial Day.

To order drawn . . .	\$50 00	By appropriation . . .	\$50 00
<i>Interest Account.</i>			
To orders drawn . . .	\$262 24	By appropriation . . .	\$400 00
Balance . . .	533 62	Interest on deposits . . .	395 86
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	\$795 86		46
		Balance unexpended . . .	\$795 86
			\$533 62

## Town Hall Account.

To orders drawn . . .	\$1,652 65	By appropriation . . .	\$ 500 00
Balance . . .	358 35	1907 rents . . .	1,456 00
		W. F. Draper on account of extra ex- pense in fitting up office . . .	55 00
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	\$2,011 00		\$2,011 00
		Balance unexpended . . .	\$358 35

*State and County Tax Account.*

To state tax	.	.	\$6,720 00	By appropriation.	.	.	\$13,000 00
County tax	.	.	6,010 00				
Balance	.	.	270 00				
			<u>\$13,000 00</u>				<u>\$13,000 00</u>
				Balance unexpended	.	.	\$270 00

*Tree Warden.*

To orders drawn	.	.	\$207 39	By appropriation	.	.	\$500 00
Balance	.	.	292 61				
			<u>\$500 00</u>				<u>\$500 00</u>
				Balance unexpended	.	.	\$292 61

*Scenery for Town Hall Account.*

To orders drawn	.	.	\$350 00	By appropriation	.	.	\$300 00
				Gift from Hopedale Players	.	.	50 00
			<u>\$350 00</u>				<u>\$350 00</u>

# TREASURER'S REPORT—CONTINUED.

## CORPORATION, BANK AND STREET RAILWAY TAX in account with E. D. BANCROFT, Treasurer.

Dr.		Cr.	
To corporation tax, 1906 account	\$ 131 65	By cash, 1906 corporation tax	\$ 131 65
Corporation tax, 1907 account	13,011 78	Cash, 1907 corporation tax	13,011 78
Bank tax, 1906 account	72 14	Cash, 1906 bank tax	72 14
Bank tax, 1907 account	11,647 86	Cash, 1907 bank tax	11,647 86
Street railway tax, 1907 account	37 34	Cash, 1907 street railway tax	37 34
	<hr/> \$24,900 77		<hr/> \$24,900 77

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# CEMETERY TRUST ACCOUNT, in account with E. D. BANCROFT, Treasurer.

Dr.		Cr.	
To balance of account	. . . \$2,204 00	By balance from last account	. . . \$2,204 00

## *Detailed Account.*

Burlingame lot	.	\$100 00	A. T. Field, account Thwing lot	.	\$150 00
Sarah M. Whipple	.	100 00	P. W. Moody, account lot 45	.	50 00
Sally Whipple	.	100 00	W. G. Comstock	.	50 00
Margery Humphrey	.	250 00	Mary J. Jacques	.	100 00
J. B. Bancroft	.	500 00	J. A. Edmands	.	100 00
F. J. and G. M. Dutcher	.	150 00	George Scriven	.	65 00
S. B. Holbrook	.	100 00	George H. Cole	.	100 00
L. H. Ballou	.	200 00	Frank H. French	.	75 00
Mary Draper	.	14 00			
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					\$2,204 00

# TREASURER'S REPORT—CONTINUED.

E. D. BANCROFT, Treasurer, in account with the TOWN OF HOPEDALE.

Dr.		Cr.	
To balance from old accounts, viz.---		By amounts paid:---	
Cemetery trust account	\$2,204 00	Fire department	\$ 2,462 94
Library trust account	1,000 00	Poor department	260 04
Park trust account	1,500 00	Board of health	92 18
Balance general fund	14,322 70	Library department	3,184 85
		School department	14,544 21
Collector, 1904 account	\$19,026 70	Highway department	8,525 34
Collector, 1905 account	5 22	Sidewalk department	985 49
Collector, 1906 account	4 70	West Main street improvements	28 21
Collector, 1907 account	77 75	Park department	2,910 68
Collector, street railway excise tax, 1907 account	31,545 97	Incidental department	2,424 90
Corporation tax, 1906 account	254 00	Water account	2,166 67
Corporation tax, 1907 account	131 65	Street lighting	2,542 44
Bank tax, 1906 account	13,011 78	Interest account	262 24
Bank tax, 1907 account	72 14	Memorial day	50 00
Street railway tax, 1907 account	11,647 86	Town Hall	1,652 65
State of Massachusetts, state aid, 1906 account	87 34	State and county taxes	12,730 00
		Tree warden	207 39
		Additional street lights	64 26

State of Massachusetts, military burial	35 00	State aid	490 00
Dog licenses, library account .	191 18	Town Hall scenery account	350 00
Library, Bancroft fund income	40 00	Balance	24,967 83
Library, fines, sale of books, etc.	153 67		
School department, property sold	32 78		
School department, tuition	38 50		
Highway department, 1907 account	1,749 93		
Fire department, property sold	14 85		
Town Hall, rents, etc., 1907 account	1,511 00		
Interest on deposit	395 86		
Court fines	23 94		
J. J. Gibbs, druggist's license	1 00		
Park department, 1907 account	345 75		
Park department, interest on fund	90 00		
Incidental department, Hopdale Play- ers on new scenery account	50 00		
Board of health, fumigating	10 00		
Incidental department, killing dog	1 00		
Incidental department, stationery sold	75		
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	\$80,902 32		<hr/>
			\$80,902 32

See note under Library Report.

# TREASURER'S REPORT—CONTINUED.

E. D. BANCROFT, Treasurer, in account with the TOWN OF HOPEDALE—Continued.

Balances to new accounts, viz. :—

Library trust account	\$1,000 00
Cemetery trust account	2,204 00
Park department trust account	1,500 00
Balance general fund	20,263 83
	—————\$24,967 83

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## SUMMARY OF ACCOUNTS CHARGED TO SUNDRY PARTIES UNPAID DEC. 31, 1907.

State of Massachusetts, state aid, 1907 account	.	.	.	\$490 00
State of Massachusetts, military burials, 1907 account	.	.	.	107 00
Howe Engine Co.	.	.	.	3 46
J. F. Damon	.	.	.	2 00
Milford Electric Light & Power Co.	.	.	.	4 55
Mary Moore	.	.	.	2 37



# SUMMARY OF APPROPRIATIONS, CASH RECEIPTS AND BALANCES FOR YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1907.

	Appropriations.	Cash Receipts.	Amts. Unpaid.	Balances.	
				Over-drawn.	Unexpended
School department:—					
General,	\$14,500 00	\$ 71 28			\$ 78 07
School physician,	100 00				54 00
Library department:—					
General,	2,500 00	384 85			
Water and care fountain,	400 00				100 00
Highway department:—					
General,	5,500 00	1,930 79	\$ 6 92	\$45 11	
Watering streets,	1,450 00		2 00		409 48
Sidewalks,	900 00	110 43			24 99
West Main street improvement	10,000 00				9,971 79
Fire department:—					
General,	1,875 00	14 85	3 46	7 01	
New hose,	200 00			4 27	
Forest fires,	100 00				74 75
Painting hose house,	150 00				1 65
New fire alarm boxes,	200 00				15 25
Incidentals,	3,000 00	26 69			601 79
Water account,	2,200 00				33 33
Street lighting,	2,550 00				7 56
Additional street lights,	1,200 00				1,136 74
Interest account,	400 00	395 86			533 62
Memorial Day account,	50 00				
Town Hall account,	500 00	1,511 00			858 85
State and county tax account,	13,000 00				270 00
Tree warden,	500 00				292 61
Poor department,	800 00				539 96
Board of health,	400 00	10 00			317 82
State aid,		402 00	490 00		
Park commission,	2,500 00	435 75			25 07
Scenery for Town Hall,	300 00	50 00			
Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1907				\$19,026 70	
Total receipts for year				61,875 62	
Total cash expenditures on 1907 accounts					\$80,902 32
					55,934 49
Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1908					\$24,967 83
Less library trust account				\$1,000 00	
Less cemetery trust account				2,204 00	
Less park department trust account				1,500 00	
					4,704 00
Balance to general fund as shown in cash report					\$20,263 83

# REPORT OF THE SELECTMEN

## For the Year Ending December 31, 1907.

### INCIDENTALS.

By appropriation	\$3,000 00
Josiah J. Gibbs, license fee	1 00
Fines received from third district court	23 94
Mrs. H. H. Thayer, for killing dog	1 00
E. A. Darling, paper	75
To D. A. Westcott, insurance	\$422 84
S. E. Hapgood, carriage for assessors	8 00
George W. Wood, return of 26 deaths	6 50
W. H. Jordan, vital statistics	38 45
W. H. Jordan, sundries	2 90
J. J. Gibbs, Ph. G., sundries	60
W. S. Hague, sundries	10 20
Draper Co., sundries	25
State of Massachusetts, license fee	25
Davoren's Express, express	5 33
Adams Express, express	3 73
C. E. Fairbanks, lock-up key	75
Walter F. Durgin, service as dog officer	26 00
Walter F. Durgin, serving and post- ing warrants	7 50
Frank E. Knights, burying one dog	1 00
Clayton F. Gaskill, labor at cemetery	6 55
Dr. K. A. Campbell, return of 35 births	8 75
Thomas H. Bradley, burial agent, A. Tillotson	35 00
Thomas H. Bradley, burial agent, F. B. Butterfield	37 00
H. L. Patrick, sundries	2 03
Walter F. Durgin, court expenses	2 81

Henry C. Snell, court expenses . . .	\$ 46 08
Thomas Matthews, court expenses . . .	12 82
Carmine De Cecco, court expenses . . .	3 78
E. A. Darling, sundries . . .	91
W. S. Hague, expense for clerk hire . . .	64 05
W. C. Tewksbury, repairing bridge light wires . . . . .	25 13
New Eng. Tel. & Tel. Co., telephones . . .	78 97
L. Wright, cartridges . . . . .	1 65
Daniel Kent, registering P. O. lease . . .	1 98
Wendell Williams, sundries . . . . .	2 65
W. & L. E. Gurley, supplies for sealer of weights and measures . . . . .	1 76
S. A. Staples, service at polls . . . . .	3 00
A. A. Messinger, service at polls . . . . .	5 00
C. E. Pierce, service at polls . . . . .	5 00
F. H. French, service at polls . . . . .	3 00
Fred B. Sweet, service at polls . . . . .	3 00
George H. Davis, service at polls . . . . .	3 00
Thomas Gaffney, service at polls . . . . .	3 00
R. G. Gaskill, service at polls . . . . .	3 00
Walter F. Durgin, service at polls . . . . .	3 00
S. A. Staples, police duty . . . . .	3 60
Warren Gaskill, police duty . . . . .	3 60
C. C. Downing, police duty . . . . .	3 60
E. A. Sherman, police duty . . . . .	11 10
H. B. Leonard, police duty . . . . .	6 60
W. C. McDonald, police duty . . . . .	17 40
S. E. Kellogg, police duty . . . . .	10 50
Thomas F. Matthews, police duty . . . . .	3 00
W. F. Durgin, police duty . . . . .	9 10
A. F. Fairbanks, police duty . . . . .	9 30
John M. French, police duty . . . . .	3 60
George F. Curley, M. D., return of 4 births . . . . .	1 00
F. D. White, M. D., return of 4 births . . .	1 00
Stationery . . . . .	53 50
Printing . . . . .	297 00

A. A. Messinger, auditor . . .	\$ 20 00	
E. S. Stimpson, collector of taxes . .	158 78	
E. A. Darling, chairman of selectmen	100 00	
L. B. Gaskill, selectman . . .	50 00	
S. E. Kellogg, selectman . . .	50 00	
W. S. Hague, clerk of selectmen . .	50 00	
H. F. Searles, registrar . . .	25 00	
W. H. Jordan, registrar . . .	25 00	
W. H. Jordan, clerk of registrars . .	10 00	
W. H. Jordan, town clerk . . .	50 00	
W. H. Grayson, registrar . . .	25 00	
S. A. Staples, registrar . . .	25 00	
Wendell Williams, town counsel . .	200 00	
William Bancroft, assessor . . .	60 00	
H. W. Bracken, assessor . . .	60 00	
W. S. Hague, assessor . . .	60 00	
E. D. Bancroft, town treasurer . .	100 00	
Wilfred Gaskill, cattle inspector . .	25 00	
Balance unexpended . . .	601 79	
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	\$3,026 69	\$3,026 69

## SCENERY.

By appropriation . . . . .		\$300 00
Gift from Hopedale Players . . . .		50 00
To Z. C. Field, lumber . . . . .	\$ 3 28	
A. L. Story Scenic Co., scenery . .	323 31	
J. H. Sherman, carpenter work at		
Town Hall . . . . .	20 00	
Staples & Gould, sundries . . . .	66	
Burdett and Williams, pulleys, etc. .	2 75	
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	\$350 00	\$350 00

## ADDITIONAL STREET LIGHTS.

By appropriation . . . . .		\$1,200 00
To Milford Electric Light & Power Co.	\$ 64 26	
Balance unexpended . . . . .	1,135 74	
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	\$1,200 00	\$1,200 00



## MEMORIAL DAY.

By appropriation . . . . .		\$50 00	
To Post 22, G. A. R., . . . . .	\$50 00		
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	\$50 00		\$50 00

## INTEREST.

By appropriation . . . . .		\$400 00	
Interest on deposits . . . . .		395 86	
To Bancroft Memorial Library Trustees			
trust fund . . . . .	\$ 40 00		
Hopedale Village Cemetery . . . . .	132 24		
Park department trust account . . . . .	90 00		
Balance unexpended . . . . .	533 62		
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	\$795 86		\$795 86

## TAXES.

By appropriation . . . . .		\$13,000 00	
To state tax . . . . .	\$6,720 00		
County tax . . . . .	6,010 00		
Balance unexpended . . . . .	270 00		
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	\$13,000 00		\$13,000 00

## WATER FOR FIRE PURPOSES.

By appropriation . . . . .		\$2,200 00	
To Milford Water Co. . . . .	\$2,166 67		
Balance unexpended . . . . .	33 33		
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	\$2,200 00		\$2,200 00

## STATE AID.

Harriet A. Bean . . . . .	\$48 00	
Julia A. Chipman . . . . .	48 00	
Alice Lowell . . . . .	12 00	
Sarah M. Merriam . . . . .	48 00	
Olive Wood . . . . .	24 00	
George H. Williams . . . . .	72 00	

Hattie R. Force . . . . .	\$48 00	
Mary A. Cox . . . . .	48 00	
Oramandel Quimby . . . . .	48 00	
S. Caroline Clark . . . . .	48 00	
Samuel P. Oliver . . . . .	24 00	
Ralph Varnum . . . . .	6 00	
George W. Butterfield . . . . .	16 00	
By amount due from state . . . . .		\$490 00
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	\$490 00	\$490 00

## STREET LIGHTS.

By appropriation . . . . .	\$2,550 00	
To Milford Electric Light & Power Co. . . . .	\$2,542 44	
Balance unexpended . . . . .	7 56	
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	\$2,550 00	\$2,550 00

## TOWN HALL.

By appropriation . . . . .	\$ 500 00	
Rents . . . . .	1,456 00	
Gen. Wm. F. Draper on account of extra expense in fitting up office. . . . .		55 00
To Z. C. Field, lumber . . . . .	\$ 84	
Sherman Bros., labor . . . . .	15 72	
Milford Electric Light & Power Co., light, etc. . . . .	51 32	
Milford Water Co., water . . . . .	63 49	
Avery & Woodbury, curtain rolls . . . . .	40	
Janitor's services . . . . .	572 00	
W. C. Tewksbury, installing Nernst lamps . . . . .	85 22	
Norris, Staples & Gould, sundries . . . . .	113 57	
Milford Gas Light Co., gas . . . . .	138 38	
Grafton & Upton R. R. Co., freight . . . . .	1 25	
John H. Sherman, carpenter labor . . . . .	18 65	
Clark Ellis & Sons, sundries . . . . .	7 30	
Eldredge & Sons, setting glass . . . . .	7 75	

Hopedale Stable Co., coal . . .	\$350 00
Swift B. Lyon, tuning piano . . .	3 00
G. E. Stimpson & Co., furniture . . .	72 02
E. M. Crockett, painting . . .	38 45
Dillon Bros., carpenter work . . .	57 57
J. M. French & Son, carting ashes . . .	7 15
Tea Tray Co. of Newark, N. J., fire extinguishers . . .	40 60
Howes & Howes, sundries . . .	7 27
H. T. Heredeen, sundries . . .	70
Balance unexpended . . .	358 35

\$2,011 00    \$2,011 00

## SUMMARY.

DEPARTMENT.	Appropriations.	Due from State.	Cash Received.	Totals.	Expended.	Unexpended Balance.
Incidental,	\$ 3,000 00		\$ 36 69	\$ 3,036 69	\$ 2,440 65	\$ 596 04
Street lights,	2,550 00			2,550 00	2,542 44	7 56
State aid,	490 00	\$490		490 00	490 00	
Water for fires,	2,200 00			2,200 00	2,166 67	33 33
Memorial Day,	50 00			50 00	50 00	
Interest,	400 00		395 86	795 86	262 24	533 62
State and county taxes,	13,000 00			13,000 00	12,730 00	270 00
Tree warden,	500 00			500 00	207 89	292 61
Town Hall,	500 00		1,511 00	2,011 00	1,652 65	358 35
Scenery for Town Hall,	300 00		50 00	350 00	350 00	
Additional street lights,	1,200 00			1,200 00	64 26	1,135 74
Board of Health,	400 00			400 00	76 43	323 57
Totals,	\$490	\$1,993 55	\$26,583 55	\$23,082 73	\$8,550 82	

## APPRAISEMENT OF TOWN PROPERTY, JANUARY 1, 1908.

Town House . . . . .	\$35,000 00
Town House, store fixtures . . . . .	450 00
Town House, post-office equipment . . . . .	1,000 00
Schoolhouse, Hopedale street . . . . .	5,000 00
Schoolhouse, South Hopedale . . . . .	950 00
Schoolhouse, Dutcher street . . . . .	35,000 00

High school building . . . .	\$ 7,000 00
Public library . . . .	5,000 00
Bancroft Memorial library . . . .	30,000 00
Town Park property . . . .	20,000 00
New band stand . . . .	700 00
New bath house . . . .	1,000 00
Pest house . . . .	600 00
Mrs. Susan Preston Draper fountain . . . .	15,000 00
Fire department property . . . .	7,620 00
Police equipment . . . .	30 00
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	\$164,350 00

## HIGHWAY PROPERTY.

Stone crusher and engine . . . .	\$ 500 00
Road scraper . . . .	25 00
Three snow plows . . . .	40 00
Small tools . . . .	80 00
Two watering carts . . . .	350 00
Eleven standpipes . . . .	170 00
Road roller . . . .	80 00
Buildings . . . .	600 00
1-horse tip cart . . . .	50 00
250 tons trap rock . . . .	300 00
150 yards gravel . . . .	127 50
2000 yards rough stone for crusher . . . .	1,200 00
20 barrels oil . . . .	64 00
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	\$3,586 50

APPROPRIATIONS RECOMMENDED BY THE SELECT-  
MEN FOR 1908.

Memorial Day . . . .	\$ 50 00
Incidentals . . . .	3,000 00
Interest . . . .	300 00
Street lights . . . .	3,500 00
Water for fire purposes . . . .	2,250 00
State and county taxes . . . .	13,000 00



Town Hall	.	.	.	.	.	\$500 00
Support of the poor	.	.	.	.	.	800 00
Tree warden	.	.	.	.	.	500 00
Board of health	.	.	.	.	.	300 00

E. A. DARLING,

L. B. GASKILL,

S. E. KELLOGG,

Selectmen.

## REPORT OF THE OVERSEERS OF THE POOR

For the Year Ending December 31, 1907.

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By appropriation . . . . .	\$800 00	
To Town of Milford, account Bridget Gaffney . . . . .	\$ 88 25	
Town of Milford, account Curtis Claffin . . . . .	156 00	
Massachusetts Hospital for Epilep- tics, account Fred E. Gould . . . . .	15 79	
Balance unexpended . . . . .	539 96	
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	\$800 00	\$800 00

E. A. DARLING,

L. B. GASKILL,

S. E. KELLOGG,

Overseers of the Poor.

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## REPORT OF FENCE VIEWERS

For the Year Ending December 31, 1907.

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No complaints.

E. A. DARLING,

L. B. GASKILL,

S. E. KELLOGG,

Fence Viewers.

## REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH

### For the Year Ending December 31, 1907.

There were 3 cases of typhoid fever, 5 cases scarlet fever, and 2 cases of diphtheria, all of which received attention.

By appropriation . . . . .	\$400 00	
By George W. Knight, fumigating . . . . .	10 00	
To Ernest Tucker, quarantine . . . . .	\$10 50	
Irving Parsons, quarantine . . . . .	9 00	
J. M. French, fumigating . . . . .	12 00	
J. J. Gibbs, sundries . . . . .	3 75	
J. M. French & Son, delivering oil, account mosquitoes . . . . .	2 25	
D. A. Wright, 1 sprayer, account mosquitoes . . . . .	1 00	
H. D. Bowker, 1 pair rubber boots, account mosquitoes . . . . .	3 75	
Draper Co., oil, account mosquitoes . . . . .	10 18	
H. B. Leonard, spraying, account mosquitoes . . . . .	5 00	
Staples & Gould, faucets, account mosquitoes . . . . .	75	
Henry W. Gaskill, survey for drain on Hopedale street, account mos- quitoes . . . . .	4 00	
Balance unexpended . . . . .	317 82	
	<hr/> \$410 00	<hr/> \$410 00

E. A. DARLING,  
L. B. GASKILL,  
S. E. KELLOGG,  
Board of Health.

# REPORT OF THE TREE WARDEN.

## For the Year Ending December 31, 1907.

A meeting was held in Library Hall, April 23, at 10 A. M., for the purpose of hearing all parties relative to the proposed removal of certain trees located on Dutcher, Union and Hopedale streets.

The call of the meeting was then read. No one being present to object, adjournment was made.

By appropriation . . . . .		\$500 00
To Clark Ellis & Sons, sundries . . . . .	\$ 2 90	
Town of Hopedale, highway department, removing and work on trees . . . . .	61 83	
Town of Hopedale, highway department, trimming and cutting trees on Hopedale and Freedom streets and in South Hopedale . . . . .	142 66	
Balance unexpended . . . . .	292 61	
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	\$500 00	\$500 00

J. B. BANCROFT,  
Tree Warden.

## Report of the Sealer of Weights and Measures For the Year Ending December 31, 1907.

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I have tested and sealed the following scales, weights, and measures :—

9 Fairbanks Platform over 5000 lbs.  
48     "             "     under 5000 lbs.  
6 Howes             "     "     5000 lbs.  
25 Counter balances.  
359 Weights.  
23 Wet measures.  
17 Dry measures.  
3 Yard sticks.  
164 Milk and cream jars.

I have also condemned the following measures, jars and scales:—

9 Scales.  
10 Measures.  
75 Milk and cream jars.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES W. WHEELER,  
Sealer of Weights and Measures.



## REPORT OF INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS.

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SOUTH MILFORD, Dec. 31, 1907.

TO THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN OF HOPEDALE:—

Gentlemen:—I submit to you my report for the year as inspector: A general inspection of all cattle and swine and the premises where the same were kept was made during the year 1907, and a written report of the condition of each barn and stable was sent to the state board of cattle commissioners.

Respectfully submitted,

WILFRED GASKILL,

Inspector of Animals.

# REPORT OF ROAD COMMISSIONERS, For the Year Ending December 31, 1907.

	Dr.	Cr.
By appropriation . . . . .		\$5,500 00
Material sold . . . . .		91 22
Work for outside parties (labor and material)		1,515 15
Street railway tax returned by state . . . . .		37 34
Street railway tax returned by tax collector . . . . .		254 00
Rent of hose house . . . . .		40 00
To labor . . . . .	\$5,633 26	
Material . . . . .	1,619 85	
H. T. Heredeen . . . . .	43 50	
Milford Water Co. . . . .	6 00	
Hopedale Coal & Ice Co. . . . .	57 95	
Draper Co. . . . .	4 16	
Henry Willard . . . . .	11 40	
Clark Ellis & Sons . . . . .	45 40	
Henry L. Patrick . . . . .	1 47	
John M. MacLauchlan, clerk . . . . .	50 00	
C. H. Andrew . . . . .	4 25	
H. A. Barney . . . . .	5 58	
By account overdrawn . . . . .		45 11
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	\$7,482 82	\$7,482 82

## WEST MAIN STREET.

	Dr.	Cr.
By appropriation . . . . .		\$10,000 00
To Draper Co. . . . .	\$ 28 21	
Balance unexpended . . . . .	9,971 79	
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	\$10,000 00	\$10,000 00

## SIDEWALKS.

	Dr.	Cr.
By appropriation . . . . .		\$900 00
Abutters' charges on new sidewalks . . . . .		110 48
To labor . . . . .	\$500 00	
Material . . . . .	269 53	
J. M. French & Son . . . . .	11 25	
Hopedale Stable . . . . .	66 07	
Cenedella & Co. . . . .	12 82	
Draper Co. . . . .	125 82	
Balance unexpended . . . . .	24 99	
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	\$1,010 48	\$1,010 48

## STREET WATERING.

	Dr.	Cr.
By appropriation . . . . .		\$1,450 00
J. F. Damon, overcharge . . . . .		2 00
To running cart . . . . .	\$616 50	
Milford Water Co. (water) . . . . .	363 24	
H. T. Heredeen . . . . .	9 70	
Eldredge & Son . . . . .	2 13	
Frank H. Marshall . . . . .	35 00	
J. F. Damon . . . . .	9 95	
Milford Water Co. . . . .	6 00	
Balance unexpended . . . . .	409 48	
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	\$1,452 00	\$1,452 00

## PROPERTY OF THE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT.

Stone crusher and engine . . . . .	\$ 500 00
Road scraper . . . . .	25 00
Three snow plows . . . . .	40 00
Small tools . . . . .	80 00
Two watering carts . . . . .	350 00
Eleven standpipes . . . . .	170 00
Road roller . . . . .	80 00
Buildings . . . . .	600 00

One-horse tip cart . . . . .	50 00
250 tons of trap rock . . . . .	300 00
150 yards of gravel . . . . .	127 50
2000 yards rough stone for crusher . . . . .	1,200 00
20 barrels of oil . . . . .	64 00
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	\$3,586 50

## SUMMARY.

DEPARTMENTS.	Appropriations.	Credits for Outside Work, etc.	Total Credits.	Amount Expended.	Unexpended Balance.	Exceeded Appropriation.
General repairs,	\$ 5,500 00	\$1,987 71	\$ 7,387 71	\$7,482 82		
West Main street,	10,000 00		10,000 00	28 21	\$9,971 79	\$45 11
Sidewalks,	800 00	110 48	1,010 48	985 49	24 99	
Street watering,	1,450 00	2 00	1,452 00	1,042 52	409 48	
Totals,	\$17,850 00	\$2,050 19	\$19,900 19	\$9,539 04	\$10,406 26	\$45 11

The unexpended balance of the appropriation for repairs on West Main street is explained by the fact that the Road Commissioners thought it wise to submit a new location for the street, as well as to consider certain questions of sewerage for the abutting houses before making the repairs.

Respectfully submitted,

C. E. PIERCE,  
GEORGE A. DRAPER,  
C. H. DRAPER,

Road Commissioners.

## BOARD OF ENGINEERS.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF ENGINEERS OF THE HOPEDALE  
FIRE DEPARTMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDING  
DECEMBER 31, 1907.

### PROPERTY.

One hose house . . . . .	\$1,000 00
One hose wagon . . . . .	250 00
One hose wagon . . . . .	75 00
One hook and ladder truck (with lad- ders) . . . . .	160 00
4,500 ft. hose (4,000 ft. in good condi- tion, 500 ft. unreliable) . . . . .	1,000 00
Arrow-gun and fire escape . . . . .	10 00
Fire alarm telegraph complete . . . . .	1,600 00
Electric chemical and equipments . . . . .	3,500 00
Three harnesses, shovels, etc. . . . .	25 00
	<hr/> \$7,620 00

### LOCATION OF HYDRANTS.

#### HOPEDALE STREET.

At corner of Freedom, Chapel, Social, Union, Peace,  
Draper and Adin streets, near driveway of Henry L. Patrick  
and near high school.

#### WEST MAIN STREET.

Near turnout, near four corners, beyond railroad track  
and near residence of Mrs. Henrietta Day.

#### ADIN STREET.

Near residences of Wm. Lapworth, E. S. Draper, D. A.  
Westcott and Miss Grace M. Dutcher.

#### DUTCHER STREET.

At corner of Hope, Union, Chapel, Freedom, Northrop,  
and Dennett streets and near residence of G. H. Schultz.

#### PROSPECT STREET.

Between Peace and Union and between Union and Free-  
dom streets.



## FREEDOM STREET.

Near residence of C. F. Roper, at corner of Prospect, at bridge, near lumber shed, near electric R. R. track and near Progress street.

## PROGRESS STREET.

At corner of Soward street and between Soward and Freedom streets.

## BANCROFT PARK.

North end, south end, east side and west side.

## CEMETERY STREET.

At corner of Hope and near coal sheds.

## SHOP YARD.

Near counting room, rear of foundry and near screw shop, south end.

## HIGHLAND STREET.

Near house of Wm. Lapworth.

## NORTHROP STREET.

Near C. F. Roper & Co.'s shop.

## ENGINEERS.

S. E. Kellogg, chief,	C. E. Pierce, 1st assistant,
J. B. Chapin, 2d assistant,	F. B. Sweet, clerk and treasurer.

## MEMBERS.

## HOSE 2.

Fred G. Crockett, foreman,	C. W. Wheeler, clerk,
M. Higgiston, 1st assistant,	Fred Farrington,
P. J. Manuel, 2d assistant,	Thomas Gaffney.

## HOSE 3.

Wm. N. Draper, foreman,	T. H. Craddock,
Wm. E. Whitney, 1st assistant,	A. E. Weeks,
Frank L. Arnold, 2d assistant,	Alex. Lewis,
F. W. Nichols, clerk,	Wm. H. Nelson,
Henry Crawford,	Jos. Miller,
Walter F. Durgin,	Frank Warren,
	J. L. Quimby.

## PAY OF MEMBERS, INCIDENTALS, ETC.

By appropriation . . . . .	\$1,875 00	
Sale of zinc, copper, etc. . . . .	18 31	
Balance overdrawn . . . . .	7 01	
		\$1,900 32
To pay of chief . . . . .	\$ 73 00	
Pay of engineers . . . . .	119 00	
Robert Ross, fire police . . . . .	20 00	
J. L. Adams, electrician . . . . .	120 00	
Pay of Hose 2 . . . . .	186 95	
Pay of Hose 3 . . . . .	369 00	
C. H. Bagley, steward . . . . .	75 00	
E. S. Stimpson, poll tax of depart- ment . . . . .	45 08	
Hopedale Coal & Ice Co., fuel . . . . .	42 71	
Milford Water Co., water . . . . .	11 00	
Milford Gas Light Co., lighting . . . . .	31 62	
W. D. Stearns, repairs Hose 2 . . . . .	75	
Davoren's Express, express and cart- ing . . . . .	8 45	
Milford E. L. & P. Co., electricity . . . . .	51 32	
N. E. Tel. & Tel. Co., rent of tele- phones . . . . .	45 91	
Grafton & Upton R. R., express . . . . .	75	
Hopedale Supply Co., copy-books, etc. . . . .	8 75	
Hopedale Coal & Ice Co., man at barn . . . . .	329 50	
Hopedale Coal & Ice Co., teams to fires . . . . .	33 00	
E. D. Bancroft, treas., freight . . . . .	3 46	
C. Callahan Co., valve stem and jars and coppers . . . . .	12 00	
Edes Mfg. Co., zincs . . . . .	35 00	
W. C. Tewksbury, repairs and sun- dries . . . . .	46 34	
F. B. Sweet, express and postage . . . . .	5 48	
Henry K. Barnes, extinguisher repairs . . . . .	8 00	
Draper Co., sundries . . . . .	8 32	

Jos. Ryan, repairs fire alarm . . .	\$ 5 00	
A. D. Wheeler, agent, one 6 in. gong .	30 00	
Henry L. Patrick, soda, pails, etc. .	7 54	
Electric Goods Mfg. Co., blue rock .	35 91	
Wm. E. Whitney, badge . . .	3 50	
F. M. Kinsley, batteries . . .	1 50	
G. A. Sherborne, express . . .	1 25	
Norris, Staples & Gould, pipe, pails and repairs . . . . .	21 15	
Avery & Woodbury Co., curtains, duster, etc. . . . .	10 25	
Wetmore-Savage Co., blue rock .	37 98	
Highway department, rent No. 2 hose house . . . . .	40 00	
J. M. French & Sons, teams . . .	8 50	
Milford Journal Co., printing . .	7 35	
	<hr/>	\$1,900 32

## HOSE.

By appropriation . . . . .	\$200 00	
Amount overdrawn . . . . .	4 27	
	<hr/>	\$204 27
To Stover & Wheeler, 300 ft. C. C. C. hose, gates, etc. . . . .		\$204 27

## BRUSH FIRES.

By appropriation . . . . .		\$100 00
To A. A. Westcott, money expended .	\$13 75	
Hopedale Stable, teams . . .	3 00	
J. B. Chapin, money expended . .	8 50	
Balance unexpended . . . . .	74 75	
	<hr/>	\$100 00

## NEW FIRE ALARM BOXES.

By appropriation . . . . .		\$200 00
To A. D. Wheeler, agt., 2 boxes .	\$150 00	
A. D. Wheeler, agt., 2 key boxes .	3 00	
H. E. Brown, labor and stock . .	10 00	

W. C. Tewksbury, pipe, wire, etc.	\$21 75	
Balance unexpended	15 25	
		<hr/> \$200 00

## PAINTING HOSE HOUSE.

By appropriation		\$150 00
To E. M. Crockett, paint, etc.	\$148 35	
Balance unexpended	1 65	
		<hr/> \$150 00

## SUMMARY.

By general appropriation		\$1,875 00
New hose appropriation		200 00
Brush fire appropriation		100 00
New fire alarm boxes		200 00
Painting hose house		150 00
Sale of zinc, copper, etc.		18 31
To pay of members	\$1,008 03	
Incidentals	892 29	
New hose	204 27	
New fire alarm boxes	184 75	
Painting hose house	148 35	
Brush fires	25 25	
Balance unexpended	80 37	
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	\$2,543 31	\$2,543 31

## LOCATION OF BOXES.

- Box 25.—Draper Co. yard.  
 Box 26.—Hopedale street, corner of hose house.  
 Box 32.—Dutcher street, corner of Dennett street.  
 Box 35.—Union street, corner of Prospect street.  
 Box 38.—Dutcher street, corner of Freedom street.  
 Box 42.—Bancroft park, west side.  
 Box 45.—West of dam on Freedom street.  
 Box 46.—Hope street, near Hopedale Stable office.  
 Box 53.—Corner Adin and Hopedale streets.  
 Box 57.—Adin street, near residence of E. S. Draper.  
 Box 59.—West Main street, near turn-out.

Box 62.—West Main street, corner of Hopedale street.

Box 64.—Westcott's mill, Spindleville.

School signal, near office of Draper Co.

#### RECORD OF FIRES.

January 21.—Brush fire, land of Draper Co.

May 2.—Chimney fire, residence Wm. N. Draper.

July 7.—Barn on Freedom street, owned by Felix Kearney.

October 21.—False alarm ; lines crossed.

November 24.—Chimney fire, residence Mr. Finley, Mendon hill.

The fire wards and the department have also extinguished a number of brush fires, for which no alarm has been rung.

The overcoats used by the department are in a very dilapidated condition and we recommend new ones ; we also recommend the location of a hydrant on Northrop street, near C. F. Roper & Co.'s shop.

For 1908 we would recommend the following appropriations :—

General appropriation . . . . .	\$2,125 00
Brush fires . . . . .	100 00
New hose . . . . .	200 00
New overcoats . . . . .	110 00

All the equipments of the department are in good working order.

S. E. KELLOGG,  
JOS. B. CHAPIN,  
C. E. PIERCE,  
FRED B. SWEET,

Board of Engineers.



## ASSESSORS' REPORT

For the Year Ending Dec. 31, 1907.

Valuation of real estate, excluding land . . . . .	\$1,207,850 00
Valuation of real estate, excluding buildings . . . . .	247,335 00
Total valuation of real estate . . . . .	\$1,455,185 00
Total valuation of personal estate . . . . .	3,710,430 00
Total valuation . . . . .	\$5,165,615 00
Decrease in 1907 . . . . .	\$109,205 00
Tax rate per 1000 . . . . .	\$6 00
Tax on property . . . . .	\$30,993 69
Number of polls taxed . . . . .	785
Tax on each . . . . .	\$2.00
Tax on polls . . . . .	1,570 00
Total amount raised by taxation . . . . .	\$32,563 69
Bank tax for 1907 . . . . .	11,647 86
Corporation tax for 1907 . . . . .	13,011 78
Street railway tax for 1907 . . . . .	291 34
Available tax . . . . .	\$57,514 67
Number of persons assessed . . . . .	913
Number of persons assessed on property . . . . .	244
Number of persons assessed on poll tax only . . . . .	667
Number of polls assessed . . . . .	785
Number of horses assessed . . . . .	124
Number of cows assessed . . . . .	96
Number of sheep assessed . . . . .	1
Number of neat cattle assessed . . . . .	7

Number of swine assessed	.	.	.	.	19
Number of dwelling houses	.	.	.	.	367
Acres of land assessed	.	.	.	2825 acres 43 rods.	
Population	.	.	.	.	2,139
Increase of population from last year	.	.	.	.	191

WILLIAM BANCROFT,  
H. W. BRACKEN,  
W. S. HAGUE,

Board of Assessors.

## COLLECTOR'S REPORT.

	DR.	CR.
1904.		
To uncollected taxes . . . . .	\$7 50	
Interest . . . . .	72	
By cash paid E. D. Bancroft, treasurer		\$ 5 22
Uncollected taxes . . . . .		3 00
	<hr/> \$8 22	<hr/> \$8 22
1905.		
To uncollected taxes . . . . .	\$138 76	
Interest . . . . .	42	
By cash paid E. D. Bancroft, treasurer		\$ 4 70
Uncollected taxes . . . . .		134 48
	<hr/> \$139 18	<hr/> \$139 18
1906.		
To uncollected taxes . . . . .	\$257 00	
Interest . . . . .	1 80	
By cash paid E. D. Bancroft, treasurer		\$ 77 75
Uncollected taxes . . . . .		181 05
	<hr/> \$258 80	<hr/> \$258 80
1907.		
To taxes committed for collection . .	\$32,578 59	
Interest . . . . .	69	
By cash paid E. D. Bancroft, treasurer		\$31,545 97
Discount . . . . .		627 23
Uncollected taxes . . . . .		406 08
	<hr/> \$32,579 28	<hr/> \$32,579 28

Milford, Attleboro & Woonsocket

Street Railway Co. . . . \$ 58 20

Milford & Uxbridge Street Railway Co. 195 80

By cash paid E. D. Bancroft, treasurer \$254 00

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\$254 00

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\$254 00

EDWARD S. STIMPSON,

Collector.

## AUDITOR'S REPORT.

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The disbursements of the town of Hopedale through its several departments for the year 1907 are covered by receipts and receipted bills for correct amounts. The treasurer's books show a correct balance between income and expenditure.

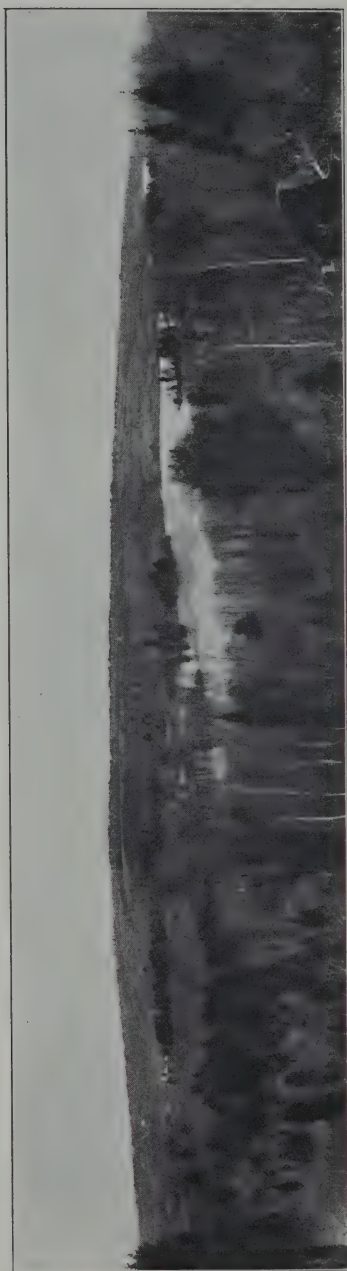
Respectfully submitted,

ADIN A. MESSINGER,

Auditor.







PARK TERRITORY FROM DARLING HILL.

The entire foreground and all land edging the pond is within the Hopedale Park boundaries.

NINTH ANNUAL REPORT

— OF THE —

PARK COMMISSIONERS

— OF THE —

TOWN OF HOPEDALE,

MASSACHUSETTS.

1907.

## PARK COMMISSIONERS.

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GEORGE OTIS DRAPER,  
FRANK J. DUTCHER,  
CHARLES F. ROPER,

Term expires 1908.  
" " 1909.  
" " 1910.

## REPORT.

By general appropriation . . . .	\$2,500 00
Received for wood . . . .	334 75
Received for labor . . . .	3 00
Received for rental of bath house lockers .	8 00
To band stand :—	
W. C. Tewksbury . . . .	\$36 86
Avery & Woodbury Co. . . .	18 66
	\$ 55 52
Plans and surveys :—	
Warren H. Manning . . . .	56 54
Grading and seeding :—	
Clark Ellis & Sons . . . .	4 00
Bath house :—	
Clark Ellis & Sons . . . .	\$13 90
Draper Company . . . .	2 36
Milford Water Co. . . .	74 75
	91 01
Roads and paths :—	
Warren H. Manning . . . .	540 59
Incidentals :—	
G. M. Billings, printing . . . .	\$10 00
Woodbury-Carlton Co., electrotypes . . . .	8 62
Draper Co., making tool boxes, bird boxes, etc. . . . .	78 24
Wm. H. Johnson, team- ing . . . . .	22 50
H. S. Cushman, repair- ing snow shoes . . . .	1 50
J. M. French & Son :—	
Mowing . . . . .	\$30 60



Sand for bath- ing beach .	\$18 00	
Sand for sand gardens .	2 00	
Loam for play ground .	8 25	
	<hr/>	\$58 85
Clark Ellis & Sons, settees for park, sup- plies, etc. .		59 40
J. H. Sherman, repair- ing bridge, new ten- nis fence and base- ball back-stop .		54 15
James E. Wallace, saw- ing wood .		25 40
F. M. Kinsley, furni- ture .		18 50
H. L. Frost Co., spray- ing trees .		2 55
Howes & Howes, grain		20 13
Dillon Bros., repairing band-stand .		11 36
Wright & Ditson, ath- letic goods .		19 98
John F. Powers, team- ing .		54 00
Z. C. Field, lumber for bridge, tennis fence and baseball back- stop .		42 12
H. H. Lent, sockets for baseball back-stop .		3 25
C. H. Hallier, row boat		20 00
Davoren's Express .		25
Three fire extinguish- ers .		30 81

Northrup, King & Co.,		
wild rice seed .	\$6 00	
Milford Water Co. .	9 35	
John L. Mead, bird feed	4 45	
W. C. Tewksbury, elec-		
tric work . . .	1 00	
J. J. Gibbs, supplies .	35	
Adams Express Co. .	4 16	
	<hr/>	\$566 92
Pay roll:—		
E. D. Bancroft, treasurer .	1,362 67	
Tools:—		
Clark Ellis & Sons . . .	70 45	
Fertilizer:—		
Clark Ellis & Sons . . .	92 75	
	<hr/>	\$2,840 45
Balance unexpended . . .	5 30	
	<hr/>	\$2,845 75
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		\$2,845 75

## ADIN STREET LOT.

By interest on fund for care . . .	\$90 00	
To Clark Ellis & Sons, top dressing .	\$40 00	
J. M. French & Son, mowing . . .	2 40	
J. M. French & Son, carting . . .	50	
Care of lot for year . . .	27 33	
	<hr/>	\$70 23
Balance unexpended . . .	19 77	
	<hr/>	\$90 00
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		\$90 00

The Park Commissioners hereby report on another favorable season, there being no diminution in the public interest taken in the various facilities under their management. The playground was well-patronized throughout the year, the

Field Day was as great a success as ever, and the bath-house records, as noted, show its increasing popularity. The improvements made during the year included new back-stops for the tennis courts, new planking for the river bridge, rebuilding the wall at the north end of the play-ground, additional furnishings for bath-house and band-stand, water connection from the Milford Water Co. pipe at the bath-house to furnish drinking water, purchase of fire extinguishers, purchase of additional settees, electric wiring of band-stand, and the extension of the foot path system to afford a continuous path throughout the Park property, giving an entrance on the western side of the pond from Freedom street and the 'Salt Box' road, so called, and connecting with the second bridge path. In connection with the development of this territory, a pathway has been opened to the top of Darling Hill, where one of the finest views of Hopedale is obtainable, and a new path also leads through the Park territory near the old Cutler Bridge, connecting with the old Cutler Bridge road. This new system of paths is laid out with more than usual care, and the continuous system throughout the entire Park territory now totals over three miles in all.

The Adin street lot has been thoroughly fertilized, the grass has been cut when necessary, and a foot path arranged for convenient crossing.

Additional birdhouses have been provided and bird feed distributed through the cold weather. Following the recommendation of the Board of Health, attention has been given to the elimination of breeding spots for mosquitoes.

The planks provided for assistance in life saving have been found quite useful in emergencies; in fact, at least one life has probably been saved by this provision this present season. Several permits have been given for the erection of boat houses on Park territory. The bath-house record is as follows:—

Whole number of baths taken, 4,768.

Females, 618. Largest number one day, 45.

Males, 4,150. Largest number one day, 122.

Sunday morning baths, 672. Largest number, 40.

We recommend an appropriation of \$2500 for the coming year.

C. F. ROPER,  
F. J. DUTCHER,  
G. O. DRAPER,

Board of Park Commissioners.





# Twenty-second Annual Report

OF THE

## SCHOOL COMMITTEE

OF THE

TOWN OF HOPEDALE,

MASSACHUSETTS.

1907.

## SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

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FRANK J. DUTCHER, Secretary	.	.	.	1910
HARRIET B. SORNBORGER	.	.	.	1908
HOWARD W. BRACKEN, Chairman	.	.	.	1909

HERBERT F. TAYLOR, Superintendent.

[Office hours : Dutcher street building, Thursdays, 3 to 5.]

### TRUANT OFFICERS.

HERBERT F. TAYLOR,	WARREN F. GASKILL,
SILAS A. STAPLES,	C. C. DOWNING.

AUTHORIZED TO SIGN CERTIFICATES FOR CHILDREN BETWEEN  
THE AGES OF 14 AND 16.

HERBERT F. TAYLOR.

## REPORT.

### FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

#### AVAILABLE FOR USE OF SCHOOL DEPARTMENT.

General appropriation . . . . .	\$14,500 00
Supplies and materials sold . . . . .	4 38
Tuition . . . . .	38 50
Old boiler and other materials . . . . .	28 40

#### ORDERS DRAWN ON THE TOWN TREASURER.

##### Teaching :—

Hopedale, including high school, . . . . .	\$8,175 50
South Hopedale . . . . .	524 00

##### Care of buildings :—

Hopedale . . . . .	1,213 12
South Hopedale . . . . .	42 00

##### Fuel :—

Hopedale . . . . .	1,349 14
South Hopedale . . . . .	19 25

Text-books and supplies . . . . .	603 11
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##### Supervision :—

Herbert F. Taylor . . . . .	673 34
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##### Improvements :—

###### Hopedale :

Tea Tray Co., fire extinguishers . . . . .	30 45
Kenney Bros. & Wolkins, furniture . . . . .	40 00
J. L. Hammett Co., furniture . . . . .	22 59
Robert Allen Cook, plans . . . . .	50 00

##### Repairs :—

###### Hopedale :

F. W. Foster Co., boiler repairs . . . . .	2 50
Alex. F. Johnson, stone cutting . . . . .	24 50
A. P. Clarridge, mason work . . . . .	9 25

George A. Barnard, repairing roof	165 41
American Luxfer Prism Co., win- dows . . . . .	11 60
Dillon Bros., carpentry . . . .	400 00
Draper Co., sundry small repairs	39 54
H. H. Lent, carpentry . . . .	112 66
T. E. Morse Co., painting and glazing . . . . .	16 18
South Hopedale:—	
Albert Albee, mason work . . .	1 50
H. H. Lent, carpentry . . . .	25 00
Transportation:—	
Milford & Uxbridge St. Ry. Co. .	145 00
Milford, Attleboro & Woonsocket Ry. Co. . . . .	128 50
School Physician:—	
Dr. M. W. Knight . . . . .	46 00
Incidentals:—	
R. Folger, rubber stamps . . .	57
J. J. Gibbs, chemicals . . . .	19 60
Draper Co., supplies . . . . .	23 31
Milford Water Co., water . . .	70 56
A. J. Lloyd Co., thermometers .	4 00
S. B. Lyon, tuning pianos . . .	22 50
H. E. Brown, electrical work . .	25 41
H. F. Taylor, traveling, etc. . .	78 29
G. M. Billings, printing . . . .	44 50
Howes & Howes, supplies . . .	10 39
E. F. Lilley, repairing clocks . .	3 75
A. S. Roe, address . . . . .	25 00
Milford Gas Light Co., gas . . .	11 73
Clark Ellis & Sons, fertilizer, hard- ware and supplies . . . . .	98 03
F. W. Martin, filling diplomas . .	1 25
Blodgett Clock Co., supplies . .	51
G. B. Ballou, labor . . . . .	1 50
H. L. Patrick, supplies . . . .	25

The above report includes all bills for the year 1907. The report of the Superintendent and tables published in connection therewith gives statistics in regard to school work and present general conditions.

With the present number of pupils in the High School and probability of material increase next fall, the necessity of additional room for the High School is manifest. This can be done either by adding to the present building or by the erection of a new building, in which case it will be desirable to locate near enough to the Park playground to make the playground available for the High School pupils. In either case when the work is done suitable room should be made for manual training.

We recommend for the year 1908 an appropriation of \$14,500, same as last year, this to include transportation of children from South Hopedale, continuation of the kindergarten, and all other school expenses.

For the School Committee,

FRANK J. DUTCHER,

Secretary.

The matter on this sheet was inadvertently omitted from the report when printed.





Hartford Steam Boiler Inspection and Insurance Co., boiler insur- ance . . . . .	76 50	
J. L. Hammett Co., supplies . . . . .	3 00	
Powers Regulator Co., repairs on boiler regulator . . . . .	6 85	
Avery & Woodbury Co., shades . . . . .	4 51	
Newson & Co., maps, etc. . . . .	12 50	
J. M. French & Son, teaming . . . . .	6 45	
Thomas Groom & Co., stationery . . . . .	13 00	
J. A. Joel & Co., flags . . . . .	10 88	
L. E. Knott Apparatus Co., appara- tus . . . . .	99 23	
Balance unexpended . . . . .	27 07	
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	\$14,571 28	\$14,571 28

## SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT.

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TO THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE OF HOPEDALE:—

I herewith present my sixth annual report which is the fourteenth report of the superintendent of schools.

The report might well be divided into two parts, the one discussing the condition of the schools from the date of the last report to June, 1907, and the other treating of the present condition. The loss in a single year of eight good teachers, with an average length of service of five and one-half years, might well cause discussion if there was a single reason for the loss. The average length of service would be a sufficient answer as to the conditions under which the teachers of Hopedale work. The diversity of the reasons, namely health, matrimony, and well deserved promotions, would further indicate that the unprecedented loss was due to conditions which were beyond control. So many changes in a year must inevitably lead to more or less confusion, and I would ask of the parents, the same support of and co-operation with the new teachers, which has always been granted those who have left us. It is a matter for congratulation that the places have been so satisfactorily filled, and I am certain that there will be no permanent diminution in the efficiency of the Hopedale schools due to the changes. As a demonstration of this I would suggest a public exhibition of the work of the schools at the end of the present school year.

Your attention is again called to the increase in school population, the appended table showing an increase in total registration of twenty-seven, with an increase in average membership of seventeen. The first grade in September registered fifty-eight, and the total registration of the schools January first, 1908, was four hundred six. As has been mentioned in previous reports, the pressure is greatest in the High

School, where physical conditions have not changed since the last report.

The question of industrial training as applied to Hope-dale would seem to be closely connected with the problem of increased accommodations, and should be considered at the same time.

There seems to be a popular misconception of the purpose and scope of medical inspection, as practiced in the schools during the past year, under Chapter 502, Acts of 1906, and perhaps the following explanation may clear some of the doubtful points. The work of the medical inspector is entirely preventive, not curative. The teachers are required to summon the physician for all cases of illness that happen at school, that the school authorities may know at once whether the disease be of a contagious nature. Should it be of this nature, steps can at once be taken to prevent its spread, thereby protecting the schools from the spread of the disease. A secondary but not less important function of the medical inspector is to examine all cases, referred to him by the teachers, of children whose physical condition precludes doing the work of the grade. Defects, often unsuspected by the parents, are in this way detected, but it remains for the parent to correct the defect, as the inspector is forbidden by law from prescribing for the child. That is the work of the family physician. The school physician is sole judge as to the re-admission of pupils who have been quarantined, and is also asked to pass judgment on the re-admission of pupils who have been absent with an illness, the exact nature of which has not been determined by the teacher. The medical inspector is also required to make a thorough examination of the buildings from time to time that the sanitary conditions may be as perfect as possible. I trust that this explanation will prevent any feeling of annoyance which a parent may feel because his child is temporarily excluded by the physician. It should also help him to realize the increased safety of his child from contagion.

The school physician has been called or consulted twenty-seven times from the time of his appointment in March to

January first, 1908. He has also made several inspections of the buildings.

The thanks of the school department are due to the very efficient librarian of the Bancroft Memorial Library for her personal efforts to supplement the work of the schools with the resources of the library.

I also wish to express my thanks for the many favors received at the hands of the citizens of Hopedale, and for the unfailing kindness and consideration that you have shown me.

Respectfully submitted,

HERBERT F. TAYLOR,

Superintendent.



## MUSIC TEACHER'S REPORT.

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MR. HERBERT F. TAYLOR:

Dear Sir:—

In compliance with your request I herewith submit my annual report.

Music as taught in the Hopedale schools is not confined to the teaching of songs. It is our endeavor to so train the pupils, that upon the completion of their grammar school course, they have a good understanding of the fundamental principles of the study.

We aim to combine the aesthetic and the technical side of music, by teaching the pupils to read the songs they sing, and to give them such artistic rendering as their limited experience will permit.

The pupils show much interest and willingness in their work, and many of them have obtained very commendable results.

By way of suggestion I would recommend, as music is a required study, that in the high school it be given a certain number of credits toward graduation. I make this proposal because it not only embodies the recommendation of the state board, but it also asks for what is customary in many high schools.

The success of public school music is dependent upon the efficiency of the grade teacher. The supervisor may direct and assist, but if the teacher is not qualified, the music in that class will be a failure.

It is my earnest wish that more of the parents, or others who are interested in music, would visit the schools, and see the work, and know what is being accomplished by the children.

Respectfully submitted,

LILLIAN E. WOOD,

Supervisor of Music.

## DRAWING TEACHER'S REPORT.

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TO MR. HERBERT F. TAYLOR, Superintendent of Schools:

Dear Sir:—

Drawing offers so much that is interesting and desirable to teach, that there is sometimes a danger of attempting a variety of work which is out of proportion to the time allotted.

It becomes a question then of what should be regarded as essentials in a public school course in drawing. Certain fundamental aims well carried out will result in the child's power:

1. To sketch rapidly and correctly from object and from memory.
2. To read and make simple working drawings.
3. To recognize good design wherever applied.
4. To appreciate good examples of drawing, painting, sculpture and architecture.

With these aims constantly in mind, and a definite purpose in view that each lesson shall be a part of a whole, that wherever possible it shall have close application to other subjects taught, and to the things which concern us in everyday life, drawing must have some practical value.

The various elements taught in the grades should be brought together in the High School, and developed into a more definite study of special subjects.

There is an interest in the drawing shown by the pupils here which is very gratifying, and the hearty support of the teachers and yourself is keenly appreciated.

HELEN LOUISE VARNEY.

## REPORT OF TRUANT OFFICER.

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HOPEDALE, MASS., Dec. 30, 1907.

MR. HERBERT F. TAYLOR, Superintendent of Schools:

Dear Sir:—

Four cases of truancy have required my services during the past year.

The laws in regard to the employment of minors have been properly observed by the various manufactories.

Respectfully yours,

SILAS A. STAPLES,  
Truant Officer.

## TEACHERS, DECEMBER 1907.

SCHOOL.	TEACHER.	DATE OF APPOINTMENT.	WHERE FITTED.
High, Principal, Assistant, Dutcher street, Principal, Grade 8, Grade 7, Grade 6, Grade 5, Grade 4, Grade 3, Grade 2, Grade 1, Kindergarten, South Hopedale, Drawing, Music,	Thos. H. Kenworthy, Amy P. Morse,  Millard F. Perry, Bertha M. Rogers, Mary Forbes, Alice S. Morrison, Jane Alden, Harriet B. Thayer, Mary A. Billings, Edith I. Merriam, Mabel F. Andrew, Bertha M. Bennett, Euphemia K. Potts, Helen L. Varney, Lillian E. Wood,	Oct., 1907. Sept., 1907.  Oct., 1907. Sept., 1903. Sept., 1904. Sept., 1904. Sept., 1907. Sept., 1907. Sept., 1906. Sept., 1905. June, 1897. Sept., 1907. Sept., 1907. Sept., 1907. Sept., 1899.	Brown University. Mt. Holyoke.  Potsdam Normal. Worcester Normal. Nova Scotia Academy. Smith College. Bridgewater Normal. Normal Art School. Dean Academy. Hopedale High. Wheelock School. Wheelock School. Hebron Academy. Normal Art School.

## SCHOOL CALENDAR, 1907-1908.

	FALL TERM.		WINTER TERM.		SPRING TERM.	
	Opens.	Closes.	Opens.	Closes.	Opens.	Closes.
Lower Schools, 36 weeks.	Sept. 9, 1907	Dec. 13	Dec. 30 '07	Mar. 20 '08	Apr. 6 '08	June 12
Grades 7, 8, 9, 38 weeks.	Sept. 3, 1907	Dec. 13	Dec. 30 '07	Mar. 27 '08	Apr. 6 '08	June 12
High School, 40 weeks.	Sept. 3, 1907	Dec. 20	Dec. 30 '07	Mar. 27 '08	Apr. 6 '08	June 19

Holidays :—

Labor Day, Thanksgiving and Friday following.

## SCHOOL CALENDAR, 1908-1909.

	FALL TERM.		WINTER TERM.		SPRING TERM.	
	Opens.	Closes.	Opens.	Closes.	Opens.	Closes.
Lower Schools, 36 weeks.	Sept. 14, 1908	Dec. 18	Jan. 4, '09	Mar. 26 '09	Apr. 12 '09	June 18
Grades 7, 8, 9, 38 weeks.	Sept. 8, 1908	Dec. 18	Jan. 4, '09	Apr. 2, '09	Apr. 12 '09	June 18
High School, 40 weeks.	Sept. 8, 1908	Dec. 18	Dec. 28 '08	Apr. 2, '09	Apr. 12 '09	June 25

Holidays :—

Labor Day, Thanksgiving and Friday following, February 22, April 19.

STATISTICAL TABLE, SEPTEMBER, 1906, TO JUNE, 1907.

ENROLMENT AND ATTENDANCE.	KINDERGARTEN.	GRADE I.	GRADE II.	GRADE III.	GRADE IV.	GRADE V.	GRADE VI.	GRADE VII.	GRADE VIII.	GRADE IX.	HIGH.	SOUTH HOPEDALE.	SUMMARY.
Total enrolment,	24	51	34	33	45	47	33	26	29	23	42	36	428
Average number belonging,	19.32	44.87	29.39	23.29	35.22	40.48	29.20	24.00	25.87	19.85	39.09	33.46	369.04
Average daily attendance,	16.05	40.24	27.51	22.75	32.55	38.08	7.44	21.98	24.58	18.87	26.90	29.00	339.95
Per cent of attendance,	83.07	89.68	93.30	94.55	92.42	94.07	93.97	91.58	95.01	95.06	94.40	86.60	92.11
Total days of absence,	490	804.5	846	773	454	419.5	311.5	364	230.5	184.5	443	862	5185.5
Cases of tardiness,	12	30	17	2	13	8	3	0	26*	58*	17	23	209
Cases of dismissal,	0	5	12	8	14	23	19	10	55	10	73	2	231
Cases of truancy,	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	2	8	0	0	6
Cases of corporal punishment,	0	0	1	0	0	2	0	0	1	0	0	2	6
Visits by Superintendent,	20	16	19	27	20	23	22	20	14	28	19	21	238
Visits by others,	122	82	25	46	16	22	31	20	6	11	21	34	436

\*Due to South Hopdale pupils failing to connect with Hopdale car.

	Boys.	Girls.	Totals.
Number under five years of age (Kindergarten)	.	.	7
Number between 5 and 15	.	.	164
Number between 7 and 14	.	.	121
Number over 15	.	.	26
School Census, September 1, 1907:—			
Number of children in town between 5 and 15	.	.	183
Number of children in town between 7 and 14	.	.	133
Population of town May 1, 1907	.	.	244
Per cent of children between 5 and 15 to total population	.	.	2139
	.	.	16.23



## ROLL OF HONOR.

### Hopedale Public Schools, 1906-7.

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#### FIFTEEN TERMS.

Harriet E. Durgin—Grade IX.

#### TWELVE TERMS.

Raymond Sadler—Grade VIII.

Vincent Fagan—Grade IV.

#### NINE TERMS.

Gertrude Williams—High School.

Freeman Shepherd—Grade III.

Beatrice Fagan—Grade II.

#### SIX TERMS.

George Fagan—Grade I.

#### THREE TERMS.

Wendell D. Howie, Wilfred B. Pickard—High School.

Grace W. Thayer—Grade IX.

Walter Pickard—Grade VII.

Walter Miller—Grade V.

Clifton Burnham, Arthur Rockwood, Goldie Gilmore—  
Grade IV.

Donald Goodnow, George Nichols—Grade III.

Clyde Saunders—Grade II.

#### WINTER AND SPRING TERMS.

Irene Gaskill, Estella Stafford—High School.

Ruth E. Stafford—Grade IX.

Herbert S. Bull—Grade VII.

Ellsworth Howie, Marjorie Rockwood—Grade VI.

Charles Draper, Ada Kearsley—Grade V.

James Doherty, Henry Osgood—Grade II.

Ruby Freethy, Anna Fagan—Kindergarten.

## FALL TERM.

Irene H. Kellogg, Percy W. Pickard, Pearl L. Whitney, Silas Williams, Clifton S. Albee, Arthur D. Durgin, Norman S. Henry, Hazel B. Brown, Fred A. Farrington, Jr., Bertha M. Meade—High School.

Ada E. Munyon—Grade IX.

Dorothy Osgood, Mildred Rockwood, Frank Davis, Edgar Markham—Grade VIII.

Pearl Bunker, Ray Phipps—Grade VII.

Albert Bottomly, Thurston Carlson, Winburn Dennett, William Hagar, Richard Hasbrouck, Frank O'Neil, Marie Gaskill—Grade VI.

Margaret Dillon, Mary Finlay, Gladys Galloway, May Noyes, Pearl Sweet, Harry Davis, Donald McCaslin, William Northrop, Harold Spaulding—Grade V.

Harland Gaskill, Gwendolyn Beal, May Metcalf, Olive Miller, Gertrude Spaulding—Grade IV.

Bernice Davis, Bertha Gray, Helena Hattersley, Winogene Phipps, Stanley McCaslin, Albert E. Sears—Grade III.

Archie Pickard—Grade II.

Morris Laventure, Lucy King—Grade I.

Emma Knight, Ruth Knight, Henry Knights—South Hopedale.

## WINTER TERM.

Hazel B. Brown, Harry G. Newman, Lewis W. Gaskill, Silas Williams, Clifton S. Albee, Elmer Damon, Arthur D. Durgin, Norman S. Henry, A. Joseph Knox—High School.

Ada E. Munyon—Grade IX.

Beatrice E. Britten, Gilbert S. Arnold—Grade VIII.

Helen Ranahan, Ray Phipps—Grade VII.

William Hagar, John Kearsley—Grade VI.

Lillian Fletcher, Harding Hamant, Donald McCaslin, Benjamin Wilbur—Grade V.

Carleton Baldwin, Olive Miller—Grade IV.

Alice Gaffney—Grade III.

Mabel Prince—Grade II.

William Burke, Charles Hattersley, Ruth Andrew—Grade I.

Leslie Albee—South Hopedale.

## SPRING TERM.

Richard F. Harding, Pearl L. Whitney, S. Marion Harding, Harold L. Brown, Fred A. Farrington, Jr., Ethel Northrop—High School.

Gordon R. Andrew, Harold A. Jordan, Franklin R. Clark—Grade IX.

Edgar E. Markham—Grade VIII.

Jack Manuel—Grade VII.

Kenneth Burnham, Winburn Dennett, Frank O'Neil, Kara Draper, Marion Fisher, Ruth Leonard, Chloe Roberts, Marie Gaskill—Grade VI.

Maggie Bottomly, Gladys Galloway, Pearl Sweet, Mabel Tempest, Mary Finlay, Harold Day, Raphael Markham, Andrew Martin, William Northrop, Raymond Piper, Harold Spaulding—Grade V.

Spencer Buzzell, George Shepherd, Gwendolyn Beal, Hazel Buzzell, Vera Andrew, Viva Coxon, Mary Monahan, Maisie Moore—Grade IV.

Annie Bagnoli, Winogene Phipps, Alma Roberts, Lillian Tempest, Kenneth Sherman, Albert Sears—Grade III.

May Crawford, Helen Gaskill, Helen Monehan, Marshall Day, Almond Draper, Maynard Miller, Earl Spaulding—Grade II.

Edward Bateson, Arthur Cox, Newman Lane, Lloyd Roberts, Glenroy Wright, Madeline Farrington, Bessie Gaffney, Cecelia Martin—Grade I.

Hester Nelson, Hilda Chilson, Dorris Chilson, Lois Albee—South Hopedale.

# GRADUATION EXERCISES,

CLASS OF 1907.

HOPEDALE HIGH SCHOOL,

Thursday Evening, June 20, 1907.

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(a) O Who Will O'er the Downs So Free . . . De Pearsall

(b) The Lake . . . . . Abt

Address, . . . . .

Hon. Alfred S. Roe.

(a) Out on the Deep, . . . . . Lohr

(b) The King's Champion, . . . . . Watson

Presentation of Diplomas . . . . .

Oh, My Love's Like a Red, Red Rose . . . . . Garrett

Y'Heave Ho! My Lads . . . . . Marks

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## GRADUATES.

*English Course.*

EDITH WHELOCK LOWELL,

GEORGE EDWARD CLIFFORD,

RICHARD FRANKLIN HARDING,

WILLARD FRANCIS HENRY,

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# Twenty-second Annual Report

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## Bancroft Memorial Library,

Hopedale, Massachusetts,

— FOR THE —

YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31,

1907.

### TRUSTEES.

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### JANITOR.

F. A. SPAULDING.

The trustees wish to impress upon the inhabitants of the town that a public library is the proper place in which to deposit any manuscript or printed matter of any kind, whether book, pamphlet, report, notice, poster, handbill or newspaper, that contains any direct or indirect reference to Hopedale. If each citizen will bear this in mind and do his share in the matter the library will eventually contain a more complete history of our town than can be made in any other way.

The trustees will furthermore welcome any suggestion that will in any way increase the usefulness of the library.

## REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES.

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The trustees of the Bancroft Memorial Library respectfully submit the twenty-second annual report and the eighth from the new building.

As is customary in many other successful libraries, we offer this year the report of the librarian, which includes all financial accounts and all facts and figures connected with the regular working of the library, hence our report is naturally brief.

The Massachusetts Library Club, which is entertained by libraries throughout the state, met in Hopedale, June 22. We were fortunate in having the word of welcome given by a state executive, one of our own citizens, Lieut. Gov. Eben S. Draper. The meeting in the Town Hall proved pleasant and profitable. Through the generosity of J. B. Bancroft, luncheon was given all the members and guests, and by courtesy of the Parish committee it was served in the Parish Hall. The library was of course visited and through the kindness of several of our public spirited citizens all of the one hundred eighty guests, in carriages and automobiles, were shown the town. We wish to thank all who generously co-operated to make the day so very successful.

For four years a great deal of interest has been shown in our amateur photographers' exhibit. This year Mr. Davis and Mr. Russell of Worcester kindly came down and showed several plates upon which pictures were taken in color. It was a most interesting exhibit and we would thus publicly express our appreciation of their interest and generosity.

The work of the janitor has been most satisfactory and his ability to be at the desk when the librarian is away or attending to other duties, is most convenient. We are pleased to report that Mrs. George H. Davis has returned to give her

able and faithful work to the library whenever it is needed. We realize that our library owes its success to our courteous, capable, interested, up-to-date librarian, who is always ready to serve the public to the fullest capacity of our library.

Respectfully,

ANNA M. BANCROFT,  
FRANK H. FRENCH,  
EDWARD L. OSGOOD.

## LIBRARIAN'S REPORT.

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The librarian respectfully submits her first annual report:—

### CIRCULATION.

The circulation this year was 21,426 volumes, 35 volumes less than last year. This is an average of 19 books to each card holder. The juvenile circulation has increased from a sixth to nearly a fifth of the circulation. The per cent of fiction was the same 72, of this over 46 per cent of the adult fiction was the newer one week books. The juvenile fiction is about 2 per cent of the whole, so that only about one half (52 per cent) of the fiction read is from older writers, or has been published more than two or three years at the longest.

The library has been open for the circulation of books 306 days, with an average of 70 books a day. The largest circulation of any one day was 198 books on February 23, the smallest, 22 books on June 13.

### READING ROOM.

The reading room has been open 306 week days, with a patronage of 9384, an average of 30 visitors each day. There have been 238 readers during the 22 Sunday afternoons, an average of 11 persons each Sunday. As in past years the time spent by each visitor on Sunday is much longer than by the average visitor on the week day. The list of magazines kept on file is given elsewhere in detail.

### BOOKS IN LIBRARY.

We have according to the accession book 11,763 volumes, but this includes many of the government books and some pamphlets which had entirely disappeared even before moving from the old building. By actual count at stock taking in December there were 9065 volumes, all on the main floor, with the exception of a few magazine files in the basement,



not exceeding 125 volumes. Of this number 2940 volumes, or about one-third, are fiction, 1048 bound magazines; the other classes range from 833 volumes in literature, not fiction, to 104 volumes in philosophy.

#### BOOKS ADDED.

As in the past seven years new books have been added regularly each alternate Saturday, the list being printed in the Milford Journal. 488 volumes have been added this year. Elsewhere in the report they are given according to class, the number added by purchase, gift and binding, and also the names of books purchased with the Bancroft fund and the General Draper money. The duplicate set of Macaulay purchased with the Bancroft fund is most attractive, in print, binding and illustrations, the Stevenson is the Scribner Biographical edition, bound in one half leather, clear as to print, and of a size easily handled ( $4\frac{1}{2} \times 7$  inches). The three books added with the General Draper money have been well received, especially the "Modern machine shop construction."

#### GOVERNMENT DOCUMENTS.

Much time has been given this year to overhauling the government documents. About a thousand (1059) have been taken from the shelves and are now waiting sacks to be sent by the government for their return to Washington. Up to the present time we have been on the list of remainder libraries—meaning that we get various "left overs" from sets when the regular demand has been supplied. This plan of necessity rendered our files incomplete, and often secured us books for which our small town had no call and so could ill afford to give shelf room. Certain definite sets, for which there seems some chance of use have been retained. These we hope to keep up to date, and also secure the missing volumes as far as possible. All are to be catalogued and put in form for use. The pamphlets and state documents await a like treatment when we have finished with the U. S. documents.

#### WORK WITH SCHOOLS.

The work begun last year has been continued, and 72

volumes have been sent to the school at South Hopedale. No record of the circulation of these books among the children has been kept, nor have they been counted in our records of circulation. The summer reading lists were not furnished to all grades as last year, but several of the grades had lists furnished by the teachers. The experiment of a bulletin board in Grade 6, with material furnished by the librarian seems to be fruitful of good results. But one class from the high school has visited the library this year, that the freshman, for a lesson on history reference books. The usual amount of individual reference work has been done. In the grades, beginning with the fourth, 80 per cent of the pupils have cards at the library. The same per cent, also, of high school pupils have cards.

#### LOCAL HISTORY.

Early in the year Mrs. A. B. Heywood completed our file of the "Practical Christian." This was a semi-monthly paper which was published for twenty years under the editorship of Adin Ballou. The first number appeared on April 1, 1840. Mrs. Heywood also gave us Vol. I. of the "Non-Resistant," bearing the date 1839. This paper was later (about 1845) combined with the "Practical Christian."

A loose leaf photograph album (10x12 inches) has been purchased with the idea of starting a collection of local photographs that shall be of present and future interest.

#### EXHIBITS.

The library has received 13 picture exhibits from the Library Art club: Greece No. 1, Greece No. 2, Naples No. 1, Naples No. 2, German sculpture, California, Paris No. 1, Jamaica, Greece No. 3, Italian fountains, Arizona, Yachts, Scotland No. 1, Durer.

Mrs. F. E. Ball loaned us a collection of colored plates showing the "Fish and Game of the State of New York," which was on exhibition in April.

As in the past three years, an exhibition of amateur photography was held during the first two weeks in December (Dec. 2-15). The exhibit, which consisted of 261 mounted

photographs, 63 postals, and 12 lantern slides, was hung under the supervision of Miss Varney, our teacher of drawing. The library was visited during the two weeks by 893 people, a greater number than in any past year. The exhibitors were Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Ball, Mr. E. A. Bragg, Mr. Richard Britten, Mr. C. H. Chapman, Mr. G. O. Chickering, Mr. Wickliffe P. Draper, Mr. J. S. Henry, Mr. G. Draper Osgood, Mr. C. B. Stowers, Mr. L. K. Whiting.

On Tuesday evening, Dec. 10, Mr. Dwight A. Davis of Worcester, an amateur of much experience, was at the library for two hours in the evening. He gave a short sketch of photography in colors illustrated by several plates made by himself. This was followed by most helpful criticism of the work displayed, which made his visit one of much profit as well as pleasure to our local photographers.

HARRIET B. SORENBORGER,  
Librarian.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDING  
DEC. 31, 1907.

## Receipts:—

Appropriation . . . . .	\$2,500 00	
Proceeds dog tax . . . . .	191 18	
Fines, etc. . . . .	87 30	
Books sold . . . . .	57 82	
Interest on Bancroft fund . . . . .	40 00	
Gen. Draper money . . . . .	8 55	
		<hr/> \$2,884 85

## Expenditures:—

## Books:—

Appropriation . . . . .	\$537 45	
Interest, Bancroft fund . . . . .	40 00	
		<hr/> \$ 577 45
Periodicals . . . . .	138 70	
Binding . . . . .	94 02	
Salaries . . . . .	1,114 58	
Lighting . . . . .	299 94	
Heating . . . . .	255 75	
Supplies . . . . .	71 63	
Printing . . . . .	8 00	
Express . . . . .	21 44	
Water . . . . .	18 88	
Labor . . . . .	10 10	
Library Art club . . . . .	6 00	
Repairs, girder, waxing floors, etc. . . . .	197 16	
Traveling expenses of librarian . . . . .	50 00	
Sundry expenses . . . . .	21 20	
		<hr/> \$2,884 85

FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF FOUNTAIN ACCOUNT  
FOR THE YEAR ENDING DEC. 31, 1907.

## Receipts:—

Appropriation . . . . .	\$400 00
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## Expenditures:—

Care . . . . .	\$195 00
Water . . . . .	35 99

Covering, uncovering, supplies, etc. .	\$ 16 09	
Shrubs, etc. . . . .	52 92	
Unexpended balance . . . . .	100 00	
	<hr/>	\$400 00

## LIBRARY STATISTICS.

	Books Taken Out.		Visitors to the Reading Room.	
	1906.	1907.	1906.	1907.
January,	2,067	1,888	930	803
February,	1,846	1,818	723	722
March,	2,160	2,051	793	801
April,	1,734	1,634	722	797
May,	1,677	1,699	718	730
June,	1,723	1,546	649	606
July,	1,603	1,657	606	560
August,	1,453	1,627	695	669
September,	1,645	1,726	743	687
October,	1,759	2,018	841	933
November,	2,014	1,979	826	844
December,	1,780	1,783	1,070	1,232
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	21,461	21,426	10,525	9,384
Sunday visitors to reading room . . . . .				238
Total number of visitors to reading room . . . . .				9,622

## GIFTS.

	Vol.	Pam.	Per.
Bancroft, Miss A. M. . . . .	3		1 yr.
Bass & Co. . . . .	5		
Bolton, S. K. . . . .	1		
Boston Museum of Fine Arts . . . . .		1	
Boyle, Miss Mary . . . . .	2		
Brockton Relief Fund . . . . .	1		
Canada, Superintendent of Immigration . . . . .	1		
Davenport, Mr. Daniel . . . . .			1
Fall River, City of . . . . .	1		
Heywood, Mrs. A. B. . . . .	8		
Indian Rights Association . . . . .		1	



Vol. Pam. Per.

## Libraries :—

Boston Public Library . . .	1		
Brockton Public Library . . .	1	1 yr.	
Brookline Public Library . . .	1	1 yr.	
Burlington, Vt., Fletcher Free Library	1		
Chelsea, Fitz Public Library . . .	1		
Everett, Parlin Memorial Library . . .	1		
Everett, Shute Memorial Library . . .	1		
Fall River Public Library . . .	1		
Fitchburg Public Library . . .	1		
Grand Rapids Public Library . . .	1		
Greenfield Public Library . . .	1		
Holliston Public Library . . .	1		
Lancaster Town Library . . .	1		
Lawrence Public Library . . .	1		
Leominster Public Library . . .	1		
Lexington, Cary Library . . .		1 yr.	
Lynn Public Library . . .	1		
Malden Public Library . . .	1		
Natick, Morse Institute Library . . .	1		
New Bedford Public Library . . .	2	1 yr.	
Newton Free Library . . .	1		
Northbridge Public Library . . .	1		
Peabody Institute Library . . .	1	1 yr.	
Providence Public Library . . .	1		
Salem Public Library . . .	1		
Taunton Public Library . . .	1		
Uxbridge Public Library . . .	1		
Worcester Public Library . . .	2		
Louisiana State University . . .		1	
Massachusetts, State of . . .	19	8	
Osgood, Miss Fanny . . .	2		
Osgood, Miss Hannah . . .	1		
Towle Manufacturing Co. . .		1	
United States Government . . .	17	63	
Usher, E. P. . . .	1		
Willard, Mrs. H. E. . . .	2		

## LIST OF PERIODICALS REGULARLY RECEIVED.

(Those marked \* are given.)

## WEEKLIES.

American Machinist.	Milford Gazette.*
Automobile and Motor Review.	Official Gazette.*
Christian Register.*	Outlook.
Electrical World and Engineer.	Scientific American.
Frank Leslie's Illustrated.	Scientific American Supplement.
Harper's Weekly.	Woman's Journal.*
Illustrated London News.	Youth's Companion.
Life.	
Literary Digest.	

## MONTHLIES.

American Advocate of Peace.*	Lippincott's.
American Homes and Gardens.	McClure's.
American Illustrated Magazine.	Machinery.
American Industries.*	Manifesto.*
Arena.	Masters in Art.
Atlantic.	Munsey.
Bookman.	Musician.
Century.	New England.
Cosmopolitan.	Nineteenth Century.
Cumulative Index to Periodicals.	North American Review.
Delineator.	Outing.
Educational Review.	Photo-Era.
Engineering Magazine.	Popular Science Monthly.
Etude.	Protectionist.*
Good Housekeeping.	Putnam's Monthly.
Harper's Magazine.	Review of Reviews.
Harper's Bazar.	St. Nicholas.
International Studio.	Scrap Book.
Ladies' Home Journal.	Scribner's.
Library Journal.	Success.
	Woman's Home Companion.
	World's Work.

## SEMI-MONTHLY.

Dial.

## QUARTERLIES.

Forum. | Technology Review.\*

## DAILIES.

Boston Herald.	Milford Daily Journal.*
Boston Evening Transcript.	Milford Daily News.*
New York Sun.	

Card-holders . . . . .	1,124
Card-holders registered in 1906 . . . . .	196
Cards withdrawn, 1906 . . . . .	118
Volumes in library . . . . .	11,763
Added during year:—	
By purchase, new . . . . .	295
By purchase, to replace worn copies . . . . .	54
By binding . . . . .	67
By gift . . . . .	72
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	488

Per cent of fiction circulated, 72.

Fines, \$87.30.

## BOOKS BOUGHT WITH THE BANCROFT FUND.

Macaulay, T. B. Complete works, 12v.

Stevenson, R. L. Complete works, 25v.

## BOOKS BOUGHT WITH GEN. DRAPER MONEY.

Iles, George. Inventors at work.

Jones, H. C. Electrical nature of matter and radio-activity.

Perrigo, O. E. Modern machine shop construction.

## SCHEDULE OF BOOKS BOUGHT IN 1906 ACCORDING TO CLASS.

CLASS.	ADULT.	JUVENILE.
Magazines bound, etc. . . . .	81	6
Philosophy . . . . .	7	
Religion . . . . .	15	1
Sociology . . . . .	9	

CLASS.	ADULT.	JUVENILE.
Philology . . .	0	
Natural science . . .	18	7
Useful arts . . .	15	1
Fine arts . . .	12	3
Literature other than fiction . . .	33	5
Fiction . . .	158	23
Travel . . .	43	14
History . . .	32	2
Biography . . .	11	1
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	434 vols.	63 vols.

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